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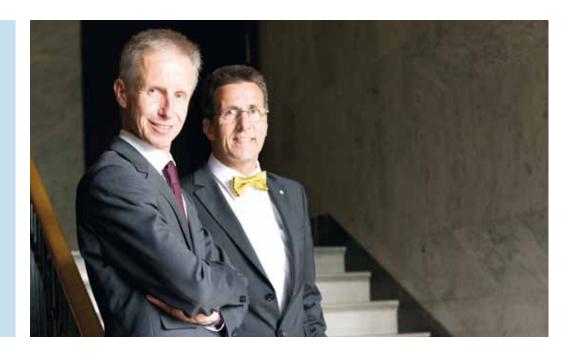
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INTRODUCTION



Dr Martin Salm (left) Günter Saathoff

Dear readers and friends of the Foundation EVZ,

Coffee, cake and war. This combination brings 15 Holocaust survivors together twice a week in Lod, to the east of Tel Aviv. They come from Russia and the Emirate of Bukhara. Their volunteer host is 77 years old and himself immigrated to Israel from Georgia at the beginning of the 1990s. In the "Warm Room" project, a simple idea produces great results. Social workers or volunteers offer a room in which victims of National Socialism can meet and share their memories. The fact that the elderly people can meet and talk, and that someone listens – we promote all this in our smallest projects. The impact of funding is immediately perceptible in the "Warm Rooms". The men and women look forward to their coffee klatsch and break their silence about their former experiences of persecution. There are always handkerchiefs waiting next to the cups.

Twelve of these micro projects were funded in 2012 in the activity area "Commitment to the victims of National Socialism". In this way the Foundation EVZ aims to fund model projects which we hope will find multipliers in our partner countries.

Digitising, documents and eyewitness testimony. The Foundation EVZ also funds international conferences. One of these, "Preserving Survivors' Memories. Digital Testimony Collections about Nazi Persecution. History, Education and Media" invited academics to explore the future significance of biographical interviews with victims of National Socialism. How are existing recordings secured for the digital future? How can these testimonies be used most effectively for educational work? How will the memories be passed on once we are no longer able to talk to any eyewitnesses? In November academics and memorial site staff from 15 countries discussed these and many other questions at the Haus der Kulturen der Welt in Berlin. The Foundation organised this two-day conference together with our partner, Freie Universität Berlin (Center for Digital Systeme – CeDIS), and in cooperation with the USC Shoah Foundation.

"Warm Rooms" and academic conferences are just two examples of the range and diversity of the Foundation's funding in 2012.

Three topics accompanied us throughout the last year. Firstly, remembrance of victims of the German war of extermination in the East, who have frequently been "forgotten" in the culture of remembrance. This concerns not just former forced labourers under National Socialism. Together with our partners at a large number of events, we therefore focused on the mass murders of Jews, Sinti and Roma in Transnistria and on victims of the "euthanasia" campaigns in Eastern Europe, as well as furthering remembrance of Soviet prisoners of war.

Secondly, we targeted the fight against anti-Semitism. In our series "Perspectives. Anti-Semitism in the migration society", the Foundation invited participants to the conferences "Anti-Semitism and everyday culture" in Frankfurt/Main and "Access to education – Gender" in Cologne. The conference series is being organised jointly with the "Kreuzberg Initiative against Anti-Semitism", the Center for Research on Antisemitism at the Technical University Berlin (ZfA) and the Fritz Bauer Institute. Both conferences, which explored new approaches to overcoming anti-Semitism, were exceptionally well attended and rated.

Thirdly, we focused on the exclusion and defamation of Sinti and Roma as summarised in the concept of antiziganism. 500,000 Sinti and Roma were murdered during the National Socialist era. In autumn 2012 a memorial to this genocide was finally unveiled in the Tiergarten in Berlin. The Foundation seeks to raise awareness of the fact that Roma populations represent the largest ethnic minority in Europe today and that they are still exposed to persecution in European countries. We have undertaken initiatives to counter antiziganism with various funding measures and activities. In our review of the year you can read articles on the "Antiziganism Report", a symposium, and the publications "Strangers in their own country" and "Methods manual on the subject of antiziganism for educational work in and out of school". Altogether 160 scholarships for Roma students in Eastern Europe were awarded in the scholarship cycle 2012/13. Our photography competition in 2012 was also devoted to the theme "Europeans: Sinti and Roma". You can enjoy the impressive photos on the following pages.

We would like to thank all our supporters, partners, project executing agencies and participants most warmly for a successful Foundation year. We look forward to continuing our work together with you.

With this Activity Report we invite you to look back at the work performed in 2012 and we wish you pleasant reading!

Dr Martin Salm

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Chairman of the Board of Directors

Günter SaathoffCo-Director

Gunter Saathold

GREETING



Dr Michael Jansen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Dear readers,

The Board of Trustees of the Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility and Future" (EVZ) made farreaching decisions in the year 2012. On the one hand our International Committee confirmed Dr Martin Salm and Günter Saathoff in their offices as Chair of the Board of Directors and Co-Director for the years 2013 to 2017. With the re-election of the Board of Directors, the Foundation can look forward to the future with confidence. Since the end of the payments to former forced labourers under National Socialism, Dr Martin Salm and Günter Saathoff have successfully developed the Foundation into a major funding foundation.

Furthermore, the Board of Trustees approved the strategy developed for the Foundation by the Board of Directors covering the content-specific orientation up to the year 2020. The trustees have followed this strategic process with great attention. In March 2012 members of the Board of Trustees met with the Board of Directors and the executive level of the Foundation EVZ in Berlin for a supplementary

working meeting. The EVZ strategy adopted focus activities on the one hand on remembrance of injustice under the National Socialist regime, and on the other hand on teaching human rights. Moreover in the coming years it will also accord special funding priority to its humanitarian commitment to the elderly victims of National Socialism. The Board of Trustees has thus set a signal here, for the survivors need particular attention in their final years!

In this context the Foundation bodies have adjusted the financial resources for the coming years. The Board of Trustees approved a funding volume of EUR 7.2 million for the funding year 2013, and EUR 7.5 million per year for the years 2014 and 2015. This was made possible by the very satisfactorily development of the Foundation's asset portfolio last year, despite the Euro crisis. I am pleased about the awards that the Board of Directors again received for asset management.







The Board of Trustees at the working session in March

There have also been changes in the Board of Trustees itself. The second term of office ended with the summer meeting in June 2012. The members of the Board of Trustees were newly appointed for the December meeting held on St. Nicholas Day and the Chair was appointed by Federal Chancellor Dr Angela Merkel. My deputy, Dr Jörg Freiherr Frank von Fürstenwerth and I, gladly accepted the renewed nomination. I would like to take this opportunity to express my warmest thanks to the trustees Ernst Baumann, Dr Karl-Ludwig Kley and Dr Hans-Joachim Körber from the German Industry Foundation Initiative, MD Werner Wnendt from the German Federal Foreign Office, Doria Rosen from the Plaintiff Attorneys USA and Dr Norbert Wühler from the International Organization for Migration (IOM) for their cooperation during their term of office. We would like to welcome Dr Wolfgang Malchow, Thomas Wessel and Prof. Dr Hans Heinrich Driftmann from the Foundation initiative German Industry, Ministerialdirektor Dr Hans-Ulrich Seidt from the Federal Foreign Office and Peter Schatzer from the IOM to the newly constituted Board of Trustees.



My sincere thanks also go to the staff of the Foundation EVZ and the Board of Directors for their commitment and work in the year 2012.

Dr Michael Jansen

Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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ACTIVITY AREAS



A CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF HISTORY



WORKING FOR HUMAN RIGHTS



COMMITMENT TO THE VICTIMS OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM

FUNDING PROGRAMMES

- Encounters with Eyewitnesses
- History Workshop Europe
- (Hi)stories in Diversity
- Leo Baeck Programme
- Online Archive Forced Labour under National Socialism
- Documentation of Forced Labour under National Socialism

OBJECTIVES

- Anchoring the history of forced labour under National Socialism firmly in European memory and communicating the experience of the victims
- Promoting understanding of the different portrayals of history in Europe
- Raising awareness of the Jewish contribution to European history



FUNDING PROGRAMMES

- Europeans for Peace
- Teaching Human Rights
- Scholarships for Roma in Eastern Europe
- Forced Labour Today
- Stop Hate Crime!

OBJECTIVES

- Fostering commitment to democracy and human rights through history learning
- Initiating international projects that combat right-wing extremism, anti-Semitism and modern forms of forced labour, and which work to protect victims
- Developing capacity among the descendants of minority groups persecuted under National Socialism



FUNDING PROGRAMMES

- Dialogue Forum
- Partnerships for Victims of National Socialism
- Donations for Victims of National Socialism

OBJECTIVES

- Engendering respect for the life histories of those persecuted under National Socialism and strengthening their involvement in society across generations
- Promoting willingness to help the victims at the local and international level
- Encouraging the development of models for providing humanitarian support and care for the elderly



WHAT WAS FUNDED

344
FUNDED PROJECTS

Activity area

A CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF HISTORY

Activity area

WORKING FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Activity area

COMMITMENT TO THE VICTIMS OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM

170 PROJECTS 3.2 MIL. EURO 01 PROJECTS

2.4 MIL. EURO PROJECTS

J.7 MIL. EURO 292 Eyewitnesses talked about their lives in 76 projects.

PROJECT RESULTS:

- **32** Publications
- **34** Exhibitions
- 7 Plays
- 7 Photographic documentations
- 27 Films
- 22 Teaching materials
- **14** Audio productions
- 10 PR materials
- 32 Websites
- 11 Research outputs (reports/recommendations)
- 14 Books/travel guides
- 33 Other products

PROJECT PARTNERSHIPS WITH:

Ukraine: **41** projects Belarus: **14** projects Israel: **16** projects Poland: **29** projects Russia: **30** projects

Czech Republic: 11 projects

Bosnia and Herzegovina, Hungary, Serbia, Macedonia and others

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION "EUROPEANS: SINTI AND ROMA"



The Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility and Future" chose "Europeans: Sinti and Roma" as the theme of its Photography Competition for the year 2012. Young photographers were invited to explore the past and present of the Sinti and Roma in Europe. The starting point was the history of a photograph of Settela Steinbach, which shows the young Dutch Sinti girl being deported to Auschwitz. For many years the photo was a symbol of the deportation and extermination of Dutch Jews by the National Socialists.

It was only in 1994 that it was discovered that Settela was not Jewish, but instead a Sintiza. This example illustrates the fact that the history of the Sinti and Roma is often not perceived and not acknowledged in the European context. With its Photography Competition 2012, the Foundation EVZ aimed to contribute to making the lives of Sinti and Roma more visible. What is everyday life like for Sinti and Roma today? How do they handle their experiences of discrimination? How do they see themselves within Europe?

A hundred photographs were submitted from nine different countries, demonstrating the complexity of the theme. The EVZ Jury headed by the photographer Birgit Meixner and the Chairman of the EVZ Board of Directors Dr Martin Salm selected the ten winning entries, each of which won prize money of EUR 250. The selection includes both impressive portraits of Holocaust survivors and pictures of young Sinti and Roma who are faced with discrimination and violence today. Pictures also depicted topics such as everyday life, friendship, and coming to terms with history.

The winning photo, as voted for by the Facebook community, was submitted by Eva Zdařilová (Czech Republic). She calls her photographic collage "Dreaming of a Europe without prejudice".

www.stiftung-evz.de/photocompetition



DREAMING OF A EUROPE WITHOUT PREJUDICE
Ema sleeping under the picture by Damian Le Bas, "Roma Europe" (2007). Prague, Czech Republic Photographer: Eva Zdarilová



Bria Stanescu (born 1924) is a
Holocaust survivor from Romania.
In 1942 Bria, who comes from a
coppersmith family, was deported
by the Romanian authorities to a
concentration camp in Ukraine
which was occupied by Romania
the time. She nearly died of typhoid
fever there. Today she lives in the
midst of her large family and
continues the traditions of her
parents, such as fortune telling.
Mogosani, Romania
Photographer: Michelle Kelso



Marin Botea's grandson touching a portrait of his grandfather's parents. The Romanian authorities deported the tinsmiths to a concentration camp in Ukraine, which was occupied by Romania at the time, because they were nomadic Roma. Marin Botea, a Holocaust survivor, does not tire of telling his children and grandchildren of the genocide that he survived and of the torments that the Roma had to bear in the camps. Bolintin-Vale, Romania Photographer: Michelle Kelso



Marin Botea (born 1929), a survivor, and his wife Stela in front of their house in rural Romania. Because they were nomadic Roma, Romanian authorities deported the Botea family in 1942 to a concentration camp in Ukraine which was occupied by Romania the time. There they faced the hunger, illness, extremely low temperatures and brutality which killed thousands of Roma. Bolintin-Vale, Romania Photographer: Michelle Kelso



NIKOLAY IN HIS ROOM | Nikolay would like to study law in the future. At present he is still living at home with his father, a wealthy Roma man, who had a vast palace built for himself and his five-person family in a Moscow suburb. Moscow Oblast, Russia | Photographer: Christoph Lehmann



WHAT NOW? | Doni's 27 year old brother Robert and Robert's five-year old son were murdered during an arson attack. Here Doni sit in front of his family's renovated house, as his mother stands in the background. Tatárszentgyörgy, Hungary | Photographer: Radmila Mladenova



DISCRIMINATION AND AWARD OF HONOUR | Auschwitz survivor Walter Winter with concentration camp number and the German Federal Order of Merit, First Class, which was presented to him in 2008. Hamburg, Germany Photographer: Karin Guth



BEFORE THE WAKE | Florin's father has just died in Romania. His family, who migrated to Spain, have sacrificed a lamb for the Pumana (wake or funeral feast). Granada, Spain Photographer: Stefano Piemontese



COUSINS | The group photo shows the cousins Samantha, Martha and Nuri, and in front of them Schaban and Davit (my godchild). The deported family now lives in precarious conditions without hope or prospects. They urgently need support and so we discussed this and decided to send the prize money to them. Lower Saxony, Germany | Photographer: Anna Jander



A young Roma from Macedonia visits the Auschwitz concentration camp memorial site and learns how much suffering and injustice was caused here and in other camps, including to his own people. This is far more than a historical event, for how much exclusion and discrimi-

nation still takes place against Sinti

FREEDOM AND EQUALITY -**ALL JUST A DREAM?**

and Roma today? Auschwitz Main Camp (Oświęcim, Poland) Photographer: Jakob Weber





ACTIVITY AREA 1: A CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF HISTORY



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Internationale Wanderausstellung

ZWANGSARBEIT.

DIE DEUTSCHEN, DIE ZWANGSARBEITER UND DER KRIEG*

*International
Travelling
Exhibition.
Forced Labour
the Germans, the
Forced Labourers
and the War







Dortmund – Third station of the international travelling exhibition on forced labour under the National Socialist regime

47,000 visitors came to the Zollern Colliery at the LWL Industrial Museum to see the exhibition by the Buchenwald and Mittelbau-Dora Memorials Foundation, "Forced Labour. The Germans, the Forced Labourers and the War". The exhibition, initiated and sponsored by the Foundation EVZ, was on show in Dortmund from 18 March to 14 October. The run was extended by two weeks to accommodate the large numbers of visitors.

The visitors experienced the exhibition at an authentic site. Forced labourers were sent to work at the Zollern Colliery during World War II. They came from many European countries and were exploited here. This particularly murderous form of forced labour was characteristic of the Ruhr area. EVZ Co-Director Günter Saathoff made this clear in his opening speech. "The food rations were based on racist specifications and they were lowest for the forced labourers from the Soviet Union deployed here. [...] The discriminating 'Polish Decrees' applied to people from Poland and totally restricted their rights."

At times forced labourers accounted for up to 40 percent of the workforce in collieries in the Ruhr and Emscher region. In Dortmund 30,000 forced labourers were documented in the year 1943 alone, working above all in mining and in industry. They were housed in around 300 camps, including an outpost of Buchenwald Concentration Camp.

The travelling exhibition was carefully integrated into the regional context, with links established with the cities and industrial sectors in Westphalia and the Ruhr area. The exhibition pointed out concrete examples of forced labour in the Greater Dortmund area and offered a comprehensive supporting programme, including excursions to scenes of the crimes, explorations of the history and remembrance events.

However, the region was not only the showcase but also played an active role itself with many participating actors. The Zollern Colliery Industrial Museum presented the exhibition in cooperation with the Steinwache Memorial of Dortmund City Council. The City and the LWL Culture Foundation also supported this station of the travelling exhibition.

With an outreach extending beyond the immediate region, this station in the west of Germany also gave former forced labourers and their descendants from the Netherlands, Belgium and France a chance to see the exhibition.



>>> EVZ Co-Director Günter Saathoff:

On their path through this exhibition visitors come face to face with the incomprehensible magnitude of the crime. This is expressed in the horrifying figures and the representation of the overall system of organised forced labour, as well as in the individual fates, the terrible suffering of the victims. It all leads visitors to deep reflection on this long-forgotten chapter of the history of National Socialism.

The exhibition is also taking its own path through Europe — as an international travelling exhibition. It stimulates not only different generations to reflect, but also people in different countries. It builds bridges between different experiences, different ways of coming to terms with the crimes of National Socialism — in short, different cultures of remembrance. At best this travelling exhibition will stimulate exchanges within a pluralistic European remembrance culture.





>> Knowledge of the Nazi crimes is a precondition for fighting the ideology of the extreme right. The fight against right-wing extremism is at the top of our urban agenda. That is why I welcome this exhibition in our city. Lord Mayor Ullrich Sierau

The fact that the exhibition is so informative and gripping is partly due to the fact that eyewitnesses helped to produce it. Their stories can be heard at many audio stations in this educationally outstanding presentation. Soester Anzeiger (local newspaper)



Scan the QR Code to see short films and interviews of survivors

www.stiftung-evz.de/eng/funding/critical-examination-of-history

ONLINE-PROJECT "WITH STAMP AND SIGNATURE"

The portal www.Mit-Stempel-and-Unterschrift.de (With stamp and signature) closes a gap between various eyewitness offerings. "With stamp and signature" takes a look at documents originating both from the National Socialist era and from the post-war period. The reasons why they were issued vary just as much as their authors. All the documents have one thing in common – they were presented to the Foundation EVZ by applicants from different countries together with their applications for compensation for forced labour under National Socialism.





Dr Axel Dossmann presents the online portal at the didacta education trade fair in Hanover

The goal of the website is to open up new avenues of access to the theme of forced labour under National Socialism, and at the same time to enable learning coupled with research. Whether the students are interested in forced labourers from a particular country, in a site of forced labour near their home, in particular kinds of labour, or in individual fates - the portal offers different ways of access and associated historical contexts.

The internet portal went online in November 2011. It offers students at schools, colleges and universities the opportunity of working independently with documents on forced labour under National Socialism. Worksheets in pdf-format are available for teachers and instructors.

In February the Foundation EVZ presented the internet portal "With stamp and signature" at didacta the education trade fair in Hanover. This year didacta focused on the topic of e-Learning. In June the portal was awarded the European COMENIUS EduMedia seal of approval for history and political education.

www.mit-stempel-und-unterschrift.de (only in German)

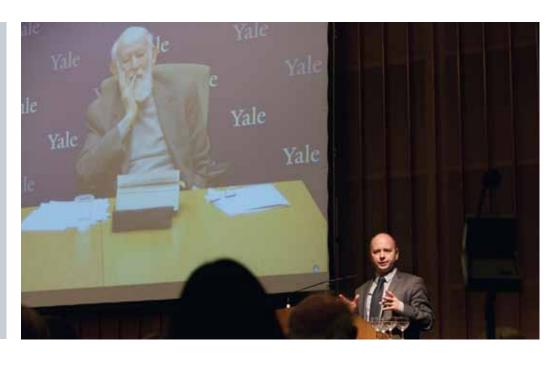




Digital Testimony Collections about Nazi Persecution History, Education and Media

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The international conference "Preserving Survivors' Memories. Digital Testimony Collections about Nazi Persecution. History, Education and Media" was held at the Haus der Kulturen der Welt in Berlin from 20 to 22 November. The conference was organised by the Foundation EVZ and the Freie Universität Berlin (Center for Digital Systems — CeDIS) in cooperation with the USC Shoah Foundation. Representatives of academic and research institutions, memorial sites and educational facilities from over 15 countries took part and discussed experiences in handling and possibilities of using digital testimonies in educational work, as well as how to continue this work in the "post-eyewitness era".



Prof. Dr Geoffrey Hartman opens the conference with a presentation broadcast live over the internet



Scan the QR Code to listen to an audio version of Geoffrey Hartman's presentation (English)



The conference opened with an impressive lecture by Geoffrey Hartman that was transmitted live. Hartman is initiator of the Fortunoff Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies. Discussions at the conference focused on three thematic areas. In the first theme, "Audio and Video Interviews as a Digital Source in the E-Humanities", three priority areas were debated: the technical implementation strategies of the online editing systems and their potential in educational work with digital testimonies, new standards of the digital world, and the change in user behaviour with the altered accessibility of and storage facilities for video interviews. In the second theme "Education", questions regarding e.g. emotions and reasons for using digital testimonies in class and in the didactics of history in various remembrance discourses were discussed. The third section, "Visual Media, Websites, TV and Film", dealt for example with topical examples of using video testimonies in the public sphere.

A conference report and further information can be found on the website www.preserving-survivors-memories.org.







CONTINUATION OF THE CONFERENCE SERIES

* Perspectives: Anti-Semitism in the Migration Society The two conferences "Anti-Semitism and Everyday Culture" in Frankfurt/Main and "Access to Education — Gender" in Cologne were each attended by 130 participants from the fields of academia and education. The Foundation EVZ and its partners offered a platform for exchanging views and ideas about possibilities of and approaches to education within a critical discourse on anti-Semitism. The Foundation thus provides a forum for the transfer of new findings about and experiences of anti-Semitism in connection with various other forms of discrimination and exclusion in Germany.

In Frankfurt/Main the question of "Anti-Semitism and everyday culture" was sounded out on 3 and 4 May. The participants discussed the presence of anti-Semitism in everyday culture and the possibilities of prevention and intervention through access opportunities within the life worlds of socially and educationally disadvantaged youth target groups, as well as for adults and multipliers. There was an excellent contribution in the panel discussion on the subject of "Historical anti-Semitic emotions", by Dr Uffa Jensen from the Max-Planck Institute for Human Development.

The third conference, held in Cologne from 29 to 30 October, was entitled "Access to education – Gender". It addressed the recognition of difference and diversity, as well as critically reflecting on



Prof. Dr Stephan Bundschuh speaks in Frankfurt about Anti-Semitism in everyday life



exclusion, attribution and disadvantaging, whether on the grounds of gender, origin or position in society. The conference discussion centred around the interaction between anti-Semitism, racism, Islamophobia and patriarchy and aimed to produce findings concerning access to education that is both sensitive to differences and gender-aware.

A website was also set up hosting further informational offerings, such as conference reports produced in cooperation with the Task Force Education on Anti-Semitism.

In his welcome address the Chairman of the Foundation's Board of Directors, Dr Martin Salm, thanked the Foundation's partners for their successful and valuable collaboration. These were the Kreuzberger Initiative against Anti-Semitism, the Centre for Research into Anti-Semitism at the Technical University Berlin and the Fritz Bauer Institute, and additionally for the Frankfurt conference the Youth Encounter Centre Anne Frank and the Youth Education centre of the City of Frankfurt/Main, and for the Cologne conference the Cologne Society for Christian-Jewish Cooperation and the Adult Education Institute of the City of Cologne.

The Foundation EVZ will continue the conference series "Perspectives. Anti-Semitism in the Migration Society" together with its cooperation partners.









Dr Salm in conversation with workshop participants

ACADEMIC STUDY ON THE INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS TO FORCED LABOURERS UNDER NATIONAL SOCIALISM

In 2007 a team of 20 international academic researchers headed by Professor Constantin Goschler began to study the history and impact of the payment programmes operated by the Foundation EVZ and its seven partner organisations. On 4 September 2012 a four-volume publication on the findings of the project funded by the Foundation EVZ appeared in Wallstein Verlag under the title "Die Entschädigung von NS-Zwangsarbeit am Anfang des 21. Jahrhunderts" (The Compensation of Forced Labour under National Socialism at the Beginning of the 21st century).

The researchers carried out their studies in eight countries and conducted numerous eyewitness interviews. After four years of research work 17 studies have now been completed. Some of them address the long dispute about compensation, from the post-war period up the establishment of the Foundation EVZ. Others examine the conditions in the individual countries as well as the specific working circumstances of the Foundation EVZ and the special challenges of a transnational payment process to around 1.66 million former forced labourers.

>> The leading questions were, for instance, what the payments signified for the survivors and their descendents, and whether the cash amounts made a contribution to reconciliation, or whether new injustices arose.

Prof. Dr Constantin Goschler, Chair of Contemporary at the Ruhr-University Bochum

Key approaches to ways of handling historical injustice were discussed already at the closing conference of the research project in May at the Ruhr University Bochum: "Compensation as a human right? Theory and practice in dealing with the victims of collective force". The conference focused on the causes and consequences of the worldwide increase in compensation processes as an element of a moral policy that has been reinforced over the past few decades. The findings of the research project formed the starting point for many discussions.

On 5 December 2012 Professor Goschler presented the four volumes to the international Board of Trustees of the Foundation EVZ and selected guests in Berlin. The discussions made it clear that the results of the study contributed substantially to understanding the impacts of the payments for the recipients, but also how they shaped the remembrance landscapes in the individual countries and regions, as well as each society's self-conception.



Prof. Constantin Goschler talks with staff members of the Foundation EVZ

- These studies provide insights into a complex historical process and into the motivations of the actors, the possibilities and limits of the (late) recognition of and symbolic compensation for victims. The studies also show that the perspectives of the payment process and its "success" can vary widely. The participating organisations, the victim associations and the researchers can come to different conclusions. Günter Saathoff, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Foundation EVZ
- >> This work, over a thousand pages long, is a major research achievement in the field of contemporary history, based on broad international cooperation, addressing a longneglected key subject of the German war economy and its endless post-event history a highly reflective and careful representation of a "German theme" of genuinely European dimensions. The volumes cover a surprising variety of aspects, but also mark the paradoxes of "reparation" for violence and injustice that cannot be compensated. Christoph Klessmann, FAZ 24.2.2013

Book details:



Die Entschädigung von NS-Zwangsarbeit am Anfang des 21. Jahrhunderts. Die Stiftung "Erinnerung, Verantwortung und Zukunft" und ihre **Partnerorganisationen**

(The Compensation of Forced Labour under National Socialism at the Beginning of the 21st century) The Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility and Future" and its partner organisations.

Edited by Constantin Goschler in cooperation with José Brunner, Krzysztof Ruchniewicz and Philipp Ther 4 volumes, 1143 pages, 69 illustrations, hard cover in slipcase Wallstein Verlag, Göttingen 2012 ISBN 978-3-8353-1085-8



* ENCOUNTERS
WITH
EYEWITNESSES

In its "Encounters with Former Forced Labourers and other Victims" funding programme, the Foundation EVZ makes personal encounters between young people and victims of National Socialism possible. In the year 2012 the Foundation looked back on ten years of funding activity in the fostering of encounters with survivors of National Socialism. Since 2002, encounters with 5,784 victims of National Socialism have been funded. They have come to Germany from all over the world. Funds of altogether more than EUR five million were made available for these meetings.

With this funding programme the Foundation EVZ seeks to enable citizen initiatives to make a gesture of reconciliation between peoples and to support civil society efforts to come to terms with National Socialist injustice. The main objective of the funding is to keep alive the memories of the victims and pass them on to the following generations, thereby preserving their legacy. Projects in which survivors related their experiences to younger people in Germany in eyewitness discussions were therefore supported. In 2012 the Foundation EVZ funded altogether 74 projects with 292 eyewitnesses, providing funds totalling EUR 275,193. This enabled the funding of journeys above all by former forced labourers from Eastern Europe and Holocaust survivors from Israel and the USA.



Polish and German pupils interview a former Polish forced labourer



Participants in the Archive workshop at the Jewish Museum Berlin

EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS

"Overcoming frontiers" - German and Polish schoolchildren interview former forced labourers from Poland

Former forced labourers from Poland who were put to work on the Island of Rügen during the National Socialist era took part in this project of the Prora Documentation Centre. Students in mixed project groups from German and Polish schools in Sassnitz and Szczecin explored the biographies of eyewitnesses, interviewed them about their life stories and accompanied the guests to their former places of work on Rügen. The project results included an audio feature produced by the young people and a film documenting the encounter week. The audio feature is available on the website of the Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania state media authority: www.medientrecker.de/blog/Projekte/archiv.html



Archive workshops at the Jewish Museum Berlin with survivors of **National Socialist persecution**

The Foundation EVZ has been supporting the Jewish Museum's invitations to Holocaust survivors to visit Berlin since 2004. At workshops held throughout the year, school and college students from the Berlin-Brandenburg area meet victims of National Socialism from the USA, the United Kingdom, Canada, Israel and other countries who have entrusted their family archives to the Museum. The young people evaluate the documents endowed under qualified educational guidance. In subsequent eyewitness discussions they report to the eyewitnesses about the results of their research.



Panel discussion "Forced labour was female" in the event series "Victims of the German war of extermination in the East"

More than half of the "Eastern workers" deported from Eastern Europe were young women and girls under the age of 20. Alongside this programme, the Foundation EVZ, together with the Foundation Memorial for the Murdered Jews in Europe, the German-Russian Museum Berlin-Karlshorst, and the associations Gegen Vergessen - Für Demokratie e.V. and Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste e.V. organised a moderated eyewitness discussion with female forced labourers from Poland. The event was held on 7 March in the Representation of the Free State of Saxony in the Federal Republic of Germany in Berlin. The panel discussion gave the more than 100 visitors to the event a picture of the living and working conditions of these women, as well as their later situation in their home coun-



www.stiftung-evz.de/encounters-with-former-forced-labourers



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IN DIVERSITY

In the German migration society, experiences and forms of remembrance of historical injustice are diverse. The Foundation EVZ therefore supports education and encounter projects that pick up different experiences of civil wars, dictatorships, genocides, persecution and resistance that are alive in the migration society and can be detrimental to communal co-existence. The projects also explore access to and connections with the history of National Socialism and general norms in coming to terms with history overshadowed by violence. For this, project groups acquire knowledge and skills for a society shaped by diversity.

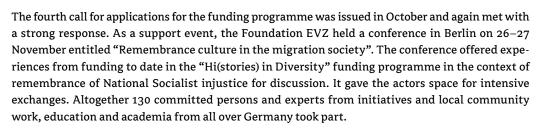






Participants in the conference "Remembrance culture in the migration society" Prof. Mihran Dubag, Deidre Berger, Jutta Weduwen

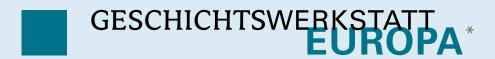
The initiatives fund in the year 2012 produced remarkable products. These include the highly demanded "Methods manual on the theme of antiziganism" that was presented at the Foundation's premises in April. In the field of colonial and racism history, project executing organisations in Cologne and Nuremberg opened an exhibition entitled "Homestory Deutschland". In Gelsenkirchen the results of the "Dersim" project about a history of persecution in Turkey in the 1930s was presented to the public with a DVD. In 2012 altogether 18 new projects were approved, primarily addressing the past and present of the colonial era, the Near East, the former Yugoslavia and Turkey, as well as flight and exile. In many cases the project executing organisations established links to the exploration of National Socialist injustice.



An external evaluation of the funding programme was commissioned in March and the results are expected in early 2013. The Foundation EVZ plans to collect the findings and experiences of the actors promoted since the first call for applications. In addition it seeks to gain insights into societal needs in order to be able to adjust the concerns of the funding programme if necessary. Since 2010 the Foundation EVZ has so far made around EUR 1.1 million available for the programme. The initial findings support the Foundation in its continued attempts to critically stimulate a culture of respect and dialogue in diversity and to promote a diverse culture of history in Germany as an immigration country.

www.stiftung-evz.de/histories-in-diversity





* HISTORY WORKSHOP EUROPE

Fifth International Forum "Transnistria – the forgotten Holocaust 1941–1944"

Transnistria, located in Ukraine between Dnjestr and Bug, suffered under a Romanian occupying force from 1941 to 1944. As of summer 1941, this stretch of land already served as the destination for Jews and Roma deported from Bukovina and Bessarabia in Romania.



Jewish cemetery in Chişinău



Left and below: Exhibition at the Jewish Center "Kedem"

There were over 100 camps in Transnistria. When the region was recaptured by the Red Army in March 1944, the Jewish and Roma deportees had suffered three winters of starvation. Up to 185,000 people lost their lives in Transnistria due to exposure and starvation, cholera and typhoid fever, as well as forced labour and targeted murder operations. Between December 1941 and February 1942 the small town of Bogdanovka alone witnessed the deaths of over 54,000 Jews.

The International Forum of the History Workshop Europe was held in Chişinău and Odessa in 2012 – two central locations of the Holocaust in South Eastern Europe. Transnistria is still largely unknown as a central region of the Shoah and the genocide committed against Roma.

From 23 to 29 September, historians and social scientists debated the present remembrance cultures in Romania, Ukraine, Israel and the Republic of Moldova.

As every year, the conference was also attended by 25 students and junior researchers from Eastern and Central Eastern Europe. They were supported with travel scholarships from the Foundation EVZ.

The International Forum of the History Workshop Europe was held for the fifth and for the time being last time in 2012. An annual event has been held at changing historical sites – Leipzig, Breslau, Vilnius and Kiev - since 2008. The special feature was that these forums were mainly held at locations where the conflicts of remembrance are virulent. The goal was to discuss contradictory memories of the 20th century in Europe and to familiarise the participants with the latest results of research into the collective and cultural memory of Europeans.





Monument to the victims of the Chişinău ghetto







Left: In the Holocaust Museum in Odessa Middle: Seminar on the Holocaust in Transnistria Right: Monument to the victims of the Chişinău ghetto



* LEO BAECK PROGRAMME

The "Leo Baeck Programme" shows respect for and raises awareness of the Jewish contributions to cultural, economic and political developments in Germany.

The programme supports projects that show the diverse nature of German-Jewish history and contribute to promoting understanding of Jewish culture. The guiding idea is to anchor Jewish contributions in society's perception as an integral part of German and European history.



Project participants stand in front of the youth residence in Berlin-Wilmersdorf that was dontated by Emilie and Rudolf Mosse



Teaching materials on Jewish life in Brandenburg

The Leo Baeck Programme is a joint initiative of the Foundation EVZ and the Commission of the Leo Baeck Institute for the Transmission of German-Jewish History. The programme bears the name of Rabbi Dr Leo Baeck (1873–1956), a prominent representative of Jewish life in Germany in the 20th century.

Two calls for applications in 2012 prompted over 50 responses, from which 27 projects were selected for funding.



"History of Jewish companies in Berlin – Rudolf Mosse. The Mosse-Verlag publishing house as an example of German-Jewish history at authentic sites"

The Mosse family with its publishing work and social commitment made its mark in Berlin between the time of the Kaiser and the Weimar Republic. The association Deutsche Gesellschaft e. V., which has its Berlin office on the site of the former city residence of the "newspaper baron" Rudolf Mosse, took the opportunity to explore the life and work of Emilie and Rudolf Mosse at the authentic sites together with pupils from the Flatow School in Berlin-Köpenick. The project results were published in a publication intended for interested tourists and residents in Berlin which helps them to track the traces of Jewish life in the city before 1933.

"Jewish life in Frankfurt: The history of the Frank family"

The history of the Frank family, or to be more precise its Frankfurt branch, was the starting point for the project of the Anne Frank Youth Encounter Centre in Frankfurt/Main. With the help of selected biographies, participants were able to gain an insight into Jewish life in Frankfurt from the 18th to the 20th century. Educational materials on the proper way to handle biographic Jewish source materials were devised, and used on project days that addressed schools.

"10 places - 10 German-Jewish histories from the state of Brandenburg"

In the project "10 places - 10 German-Jewish histories from the State of Brandenburg" Brandenburg's regional history is considered as German-Jewish history. Student teachers from the University of Potsdam, who will be teaching at schools in the State of Brandenburg, produced educational guidelines on the history of ten places in Brandenburg. These will enable school pupils to explore German-Jewish history and its testimonies in their home towns or schools.

www.stiftung-evz.de/leo-baeck-programme











ACTIVITY AREA 2:

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"STRANGERS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY" PUBLICATION ON THE EXHIBITION

The first summary narrative of the history of the Sinti and Roma in the German postwar period, taking Lower Saxony as an example, was presented at the Historical Museum Hanover with the book "Strangers in their own country". The editors have produced a pioneering publication for the little-researched period from the end of the National Socialist era to the beginning of the 21st century.

The book documents for the first time where and how the German Sinti and Roma "settled" in Lower Saxony again after the end of National Socialist tyranny, what discriminations they were still subject to, under what conditions they lived their everyday life and what could be saved of their culture. As a supplement, the book comes with a DVD showing interviews with Sinti and Roma conducted by school pupils. The book and DVD aim to contribute to creating better understanding between the Sinti and Roma and the majority society.





Vistors to the exhibition listen to survivor interviews at the audio station

>> The long history of the Sinti and Roma in Germany extends beyond the terrors of the National Socialist period up to the present day. We are pleased that our funding of an exhibition and this key documentation has helped stimulate exploration of the post-war history of the Sinti and Roma in Germany. Günter Saathoff, Co-Director of the Foundation EVZ



The book was produced as a catalogue on the exhibition of the same name, first shown in the Historical Museum Hanover in 2009/2010 and which is now travelling through Lower Saxony.



Fremd im eigenen Land. Sinti und Roma in Niedersachsen nach dem Holocaust Reinhold Baaske/Boris Erchenbrecher/Wolf-Dieter Mechler/ Hans-Dieter Schmid et.al.: Verlag für Regionalgeschichte, Bielefeld 2012 192 pages, ISBN 3-8953-4789-2

www.stiftung-evz.de/publications

SYMPOSIUM - ANTIZIGANISM MOVES INTO THE FOCUS OF POLITICIANS



Daniel Strauß, Director of RomnoKher GmbH, sneaks with project participants

> An international symposium entitled "Antiziganism in Europe – Forms, Effects, Counterstrategies" was held in Mannheim on 15 May. The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Foundation EVZ, Dr Martin Salm, pointed out that antiziganism comes from the middle of society:

>> Pogroms against Roma in the 21st century – that is something we must all be ashamed of! Marginalising, criminalising and terrorising Roma cannot be combated by civil society commitment alone. We need political action against antiziganism.



Panel discussion on Antiziganism in Europe

The symposium showed forms and effects of antiziganism with the aid of concrete examples from many European countries. It was made clear that antiziganism as a challenge is now also in the focus of politicians. The symposium was held under the patronage of Minister President Winfried Kretschmann. A number of members of the German Bundestag gave keynote speeches and spoke on specialist panels. Nearly 200 people attended the event. One of the central demands was for the institutional promotion of research into antiziganism. The event was comprehensively documented by a publication of the State Centre for Political Education Baden-Wurttemberg.



METHODS MANUAL ON ANTIZIGANISM FOR SCHOOL AND NON-SCHOOL EDUCATION WORK



Antiziganism – what is that? The manual funded by the Foundation EVZ offers methods for education in and out of school on the topic of antiziganism and the history of the Sinti and Roma. It was developed for educators, social workers, education centres, memorial sites, universities, colleges and schools.

The first part of the methods manual contains information on historical and present-day antiziganism in Europe and Germany, especially on the structure and functioning of antiziganist resentments.

The second part contains 27 detailed proposals for exercises on the topic and other recommended additional exercises. The proposed exercises are accompanied by notes on the educational concept and practical opportunities for application. They are intended to invite reflection on the issue.

The exercises and modules concentrate on the real-life situations and perspectives of young people and have been designed as simply and variably as possible so that they can be used in different contexts and with different groups of students.

The spectrum of methods ranges from interactive discussion and positioning exercises, tasks for training on a critical examination of journalism and media, work with present-day music and film material, through role games, card games, quiz and board games, to a town rally.

The materials were developed and tested jointly with teachers and pupils. The development process proceeded with support from members of associations of Sinti and Roma as well as academic backing.



Ina Bielenberg, Director of the Association of German **Educational Organisations**

Methodenhandbuch zum Thema Antiziganismus für die schulische und außerschulische Bildungsarbeit



REPORT ON ANTIZIGANISM

In December the first expert report was published on "Antiziganism. The state of research and counter-strategies" in Germany. The report was produced on behalf of RomnoKher GmbH by Markus End and funded by the Foundation EVZ. It will be published in print in 2013. The report describes the alarming spread of prejudices in Germany.

Antiziganism has so far not been recognised as an independent form of racism and is accordingly not understood, surveyed or combated. At the same time the report shows that there is a lack of academic research into the subject of antiziganism. It calls for the promotion and institutionalising of such research.

The report was presented to the Antidiscrimination Office of the Federal Republic, the Bündnis für Demokratie und Toleranz (Alliance for democracy and tolerance) and the Representation of the European Commission. There were also discussions with Tom Koenig, the Chairman of the Committee for Human Rights of the German Bundestag and members of the Committee.





Daniel Strauß, Director of RomnoKher GmbH, presents the report to Christine Lüders, head of the Federal Anti-Discrimination Agency

Above: Presentation to Dr Gregor Rosenthal, Director of the Alliance for democracy and tolerance

INAUGURATION OF THE MEMORIAL TO THE SINTI AND ROMA OF EUROPE MURDERED UNDER NATIONAL SOCIALISM

German Chancellor Angela Merkel, German President Richard von Weizsäcker, Romani Rose, chairman of the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma, the Governing Mayor of Berlin, Klaus Wowereit, and other prominent guests with the survivor Florian Reinhard



On 24 October 2012 the Memorial to the Sinti and Roma of Europe Murdered under National Socialism was inaugurated. Among the thousand guests from Germany and abroad were 100 survivors of the Holocaust. The realisation and completion of the monument in Berlin was long awaited. High ranking guests included German President Joachim Gauck, German Chancellor Dr Angela Merkel, the architect of the Memorial Dani Caravan, and Romani Rose, Chairman of the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma. Dr Martin Salm, Chairman of the Board of Directors, attended the first tour of the Memorial on behalf of the Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility and Future" (EVZ) and welcomed the survivor Reinhard Florian there.



Reinhard Florian's memories were presented to the public the evening before the inauguration an event held in cooperation with the "Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe". This event was part of a cultural programme organized by the Documentation and Cultural Centre of German Sinti and Roma. Florian had already experienced discrimination as a child and was arrested in 1941. He survived forced labour, deportation and many years of camp detention.

An extensive interview with Reinhard Florian is also part of the online archive "Forced Labour 1939–1945" that can be accessed at www.zwangsarbeit-archiv.de.

The Foundation EVZ funded both the support programme and the publication.



Co-Director Gunter Saathoff welcomes to Reinhard Florian to the book presentation

Above: Romani Rose, chairman of the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma



With its "Europeans for Peace" funding programme, the Foundation EVZ fulfils its mandate to foster exchange between youth and to promote understanding between peoples. In international school and youth projects, young people from Germany, the countries of Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe and Israel explore experiences of historical injustice, especially of National Socialism, and current human rights issues across borders.

PROGRAMME YEAR 2011/2012: YOUNG PEOPLE FOLLOW THE TRACKS OF HUMAN RIGHTS

In the years 2010–2012 project work focused on the topic "Human Rights Past and Present". Projects lasting up to one year examined present and historical themes and questions and produced joint products. The projects make a major contribution to keeping the memory of the victims of National Socialism alive. At the same time, with creativeness and commitment, they encourage people to work to protect minorities and human rights today. They thus build a bridge from the past to their own responsibility for respecting human rights. In the projects, the young people establish friendships across national borders and thus make their own quite personal contribution to understanding between peoples.

In the project cycle 2011/2012 altogether 30 projects in 13 countries were funded, with participation by 1,300 young people. Since the programme was launched in 2005, it has funded 423 international projects in 32 countries with funds totalling over six million Euro. In 2012 an external evaluation of the funding programme was conducted. The results will be available in 2013 and channelled into further programme development.

AWARDS FOR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AND YOUTH PROJECTS IN THE PROJECT CYCLE 2011/2012

This year's award ceremony was held together with 250 external guests at the Kalkscheune in Berlin. The four best partnerships received prizes for their project work and their commitment. In addition, the special prize "Blogger of the year" was awarded. The award winners came from Armenia, Israel, Russia, Ukraine and Germany. This was one of the outstanding award-winning projects:



Stigmatising, exclusion, persecution, destruction — what has that got to do with me today? Young Armenians and Germans reflect on Articles 2 and 3 of the UDHR with reference to World War II and Armenia 1915/16.

Project partners: Association to promote the Memorial Site Langenstein-Zwieberge, Langenstein, Germany; Martineum High School, Halberstadt, Germany; School No. 5 N. Sisakyan, Ashtarak, Armenia

It all started with a file found at the Memorial Site Langenstein-Zwieberge - the inmate file for the Armenian prisoner of war Aikaz Geworkjan. His moving story formed the starting point for the German-Armenian project work. During the encounters at historical sites, the young people researched the mechanisms of exclusion and extermination in the National Socialist era and in the history of Armenia. In a letter to the Minister of Education and Cultural Affairs of the state of Saxony Anhalt, the school pupils called for the topic of the genocide against Armenians to be included in history teaching. In their opinion, knowledge of historical connections is an important prerequisite for understanding and preventing exclusion mechanisms in the present. The young people recorded their project work in a 40-minute film in the form of interviews and descriptions of their personal impressions, shooting at the historical site.

www.europeans-for-peace.de









THREE AWARDS FOR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AND YOUTH PROJECTS FROM THE FUNDING PROGRAMME "EUROPEANS FOR PEACE" IN THE YEAR 2012

The second main prize in the "UNICEF-Junior Ambassador" competition went to the project "All inclusive – We are here!" Pupils with learning disabilities worked for the rights of people with disabilities in their German-Lithuanian project.





The project "It is normal to be different" was presented with the European Citizens' Prize awarded by the European Parliament in October 2012. Young Europeans with and without Down's Syndrome from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Poland, Spain and Germany examined the discrimination against and persecution of people with learning disabilities in the past – during the National Socialist era and under Communism. They also discussed the situation of people with disabilities in Europe today.



A further project won the Saxony School Prize – a project by the Vocational School Centre Wurzen (BSZ). Since 2001 the school has been working actively for remembrance of the Holocaust and against right-wing extremism in encounters with Polish and Israeli pupils on projects at the Auschwitz and Birkenau Memorial Sites and in eyewitness discussions.



Scan the QR Code to see project examples and films



* INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DEBATE "International Youth Debate" is a competition for young people held in eight Central and Eastern European countries.





The participants are first introduced to the rules and principles of debating at school. The two winners from each competition round then qualify for the next higher level, right up to the international final.

The competition aims in particular to stimulate the exploration of human rights and their historical background and to strengthen debating as a medium of political culture and democratic dialogue. The project is designed by the Foundation EVZ together with the Goethe Institut, the Hertie Foundation and the Central Agency of Schools Abroad.

In order to promote German language skills in the participating countries and at the same time to foster bilateral cultural relations, the competition is held in German. "International Youth Debate" is the only international speaking competition in German for school pupils. The participants are between 16 and 19 years old.



Co-Director Gunter Saathoff congratulates the winner of the national final in the Czech Republic, Tomáš Schwarz

In 2012 the international final of "International Youth Debate" was held in Vilnius. The topic of the debate was "Should 'hate speech' against religions be prosecuted throughout Europe?" Gréta Szabó from Hungary was best able to convince the jury. "It was fantastic for me to meet young people from so many countries. Also I think that the ability to debate will be of great benefit to me in my future life", commented the winner.

In the school year 2011/12 over 1,700 pupils from more than 120 schools in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, the Czech Republic, Ukraine and Hungary took part in the competition.

www.jugend-debattiert.eu



Participants and Jury of the 2012 final, with winner Gréta Szabó (front row right)



* TEACHING HUMAN RIGHTS

Funding programme for teaching human rights by learning history



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The Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948 was a fundamental response to historical injustice, especially to the crimes of National Socialism and World War II. Since then, asserting human rights remains an ongoing task. The Foundation EVZ promotes fruitful connections between the thematic areas of "remembrance of crimes in the National Socialist era" and teaching human rights. A priority area of this programme is funding education projects that try out this connection.

In 2012 altogether 16 projects were funded with EUR 440,000 in Germany, Russia, Poland, the Czech Republic, Estonia and Israel.

Four projects in Germany, Poland and the Czech Republic addressed the subject of "euthanasia" and the rights of persons with disabilities, e.g. the project "SchattenRäume" (ShadowRooms), a theatre project with young people on the subject of "rights of persons with disabilities" and "euthanasia under National Socialism", taking the history of the LVR Clinic, Bedburg-Hau as an example. The newly developed play "Änne's last journey" was premiered by the Mini-Art theatre company to mark the one hundredth anniversary of the clinic in June and has been on tour since. It deals with the documented case of Änne Lehnkering, who was a patient in the Bedburg-Hau Sanatorium from 1936 to 1940 and was then murdered in Grafeneck on 7 March 1940.

The project of Humanity in Action e.V. in Poland, on strengthening human rights of persons with disabilities entitled "Looking for the Cure. People with Disabilities in Poland: from Patients to Citizens" received a special award. The project was invited to attend the signature of the UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Poland on 6 September by the Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski. The publication contains texts by and about people with disabilities who describe their experiences of everyday discrimination and discuss methods that can lead to equality for people with disabilities. Selected contributions were translated into English.



Photo left and left page above: Theater project "SchattenRäume"

The external evaluation commissioned by the Foundation EVZ presented its results in spring 2012 and assessed the programme positively. According to the report, the linking of teaching human rights with learning about history has proved beneficial for both areas. The programme design is unique in Europe and can be understood as a learning process of a complex and sometimes conflictive but fruitful connection between two educational approaches. The intensive consultancy and support for the projects as well as the interlinking of project funding and training at the International Academy "Remembrance and Human Rights" attest to the Foundation's commitment to advancing this discourse.

At the end of 2012 an eighty-page brochure with information on the funding programme, the projects, events and materials developed was published in German and English. The brochure provides an insight into the diversity of themes, the methodological approaches and the country contexts. It presents education projects for young people and multipliers, as well as for special groups such as members of the police force and administrations.





The school materials "Smuggled out of the concentration camp - Remembrance, arts and human dignity" were published by Metropol-Verlag in April. They deal with the history of a glass container unearthed near Neubrandenburg in the 1970s that contained letters, artistic documents and lists of shootings and medical experiments that Polish inmates had smuggled out of the Ravensbrück concentration camp as evidence of violations of human rights. The education materials were developed in the funding programme "Teaching human rights" by Dr Constanze Jaiser and Jacob David Pampuch on behalf of the House of the Wannsee Conference. On 17 June 2012 the publication was presented with the Literature Prize of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (Annalise-Wagner Prize). The project was presented to the public on 12 September at the Foundation EVZ with the collaboration of the Berlin State Secretary for Education, Mark Rackles.





FORCED LABOUR TODAY



The Foundation EVZ and the German Institute for Human Rights (DIMR) are working together for the human rights of victims in the cooperative project "Forced labour today — Empowering trafficked persons". Victims of human trafficking or extreme forms of labour exploitation in Germany are to be empowered to enforce their legal claims for pay and compensation against perpetrators as well as their claims under the Victim Compensation Act.

The project has established a legal aid fund for this purpose. Impulses for a change in legal practice are to be provided by precedent-setting cases initiated via the legal aid fund. One example of the situation of many victims affected by human trafficking is the case of a young woman from Indonesia who was working in the household of an entrepreneur in Hamburg. She stated that she had been working 12–14 hours a day, six days a week for the family of the defendant for several years as a child care worker, office cleaner and domestic help. When the young woman was seven months pregnant she lost her job and thus her accommodation. Together with the Hamburg Migrant Counselling Centre Verikom, the legal aid fund supported the legal action brought by the young woman for lost pay amounting to EUR 60,000. The case is still ongoing.

By 2012 altogether 17 cases had been secured. Six of them were finalised. With these cases the legal aid fund is sending a signal that victims can take legal action to assert their rights. This has an encouraging effect and leads to "copycat effects" in counselling facilities.

The project "Forced labour today" not only aims to change legal practice in Germany, but also to influence legislation and its implementation. In hearings of the German Bundestag and in statements and discussions at ministerial level, the Institute for Human Rights repeatedly stresses the need for seeing victims of human trafficking as holders of rights and for dismantling hurdles to asserting these rights. In particular persons living without legal papers become victims of human trafficking – and therefore they particularly need a safe right of residence and special protection when they take legal action. They must also be informed appropriately about their rights.







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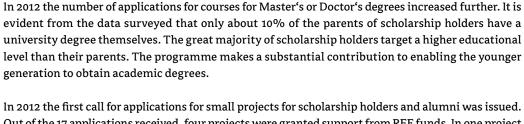




SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ROMA IN EASTERN EUROPE

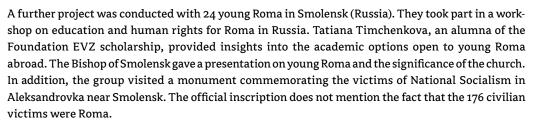


The scholarship programme for Roma in Eastern Europe supports students in Russia, Ukraine and Moldova and is operated by the Roma Education Fund (REF).





In 2012 the first call for applications for small projects for scholarship holders and alumni was issued. Out of the 17 applications received, four projects were granted support from REF funds. In one project scholarship holders spent six weeks providing health education in a Ukrainian village. The village community, which largely consists of Roma, was informed about illnesses such as tuberculosis and AIDS. Information materials and medical sets were distributed.





The highlight of the year was an annual meeting of scholarship holders in Chişinău in August 2012, with panel discussions on the topics of discrimination and education, as well as courses on public speaking. International internships and foreign language courses are also offered to support the transition into working life.

For the scholarship cycle 2012/2013 altogether 160 scholarships, each worth EUR 1,300 were awarded. The programme is supporting 45 scholarship holders in Moldova, 35 in Russia and 80 in Ukraine.



Scholarship holders present medical sets and information to Roma families

AWARD FOR COMMITMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF ROMA IN MACEDONIA

In 2012 the organisation "Sumnal" was awarded the "13 November" prize of the city of Skopje. This commemorates the day of liberation of the city in World War II and is presented to people and organisations who make a key contribution to the development of the city and its inhabitants.

The organisation "Sumnal" was awarded the prize for its humanitarian and social commitment to Roma. Since 2004 the organisation has been working to improve the life situation of Roma in Macedonia. Their work focuses on the survivors of National Socialist terror. Since 2012 around 1,000 surviving Roma in the districts of Suto Orizari and Chair in Skopje have been receiving comprehensive social support funded from the donation by Deutsche Bahn AG and supported by the Foundation EVZ.





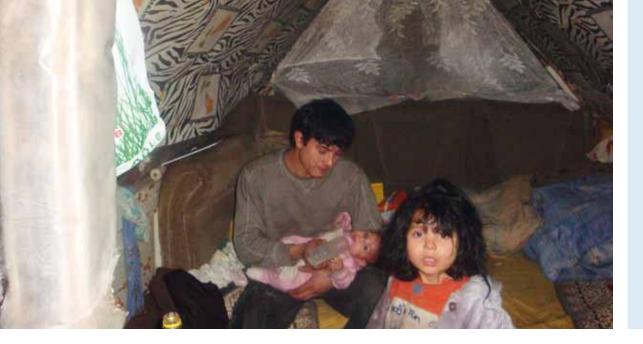
The "Stop Hate Crime!" funding programme works to support individuals who fall victim to hate crimes on the grounds of their ethnicity, colour, religion, their work for human rights, their sexual orientation, or their gender identity.

By the promotion of exemplary projects, support offerings for affected persons are to be developed further, data surveys on hate crimes committed are to be expanded, and society is to be made aware of the concerns of the victims by public relations work. At the same time the national and international networking of the project is to be strengthened.

In 2012 altogether eleven projects were funded by the Foundation EVZ in Poland, the Czech Republic, Russia and Ukraine. The Foundation EVZ cooperated with other funding bodies here, such as the Open Society Fund (OSF) in the Czech Republic. The projects aim to educate LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) people, Roma, migrants and other endangered target groups about their rights, to provide legal and psychosocial counselling and to survey data about hate crime.

IN IUSTITIA PRAGUE WRITES LEGAL HISTORY

The victim counselling organisation In lustitia Prague successfully fought to obtain compensation for the violation of the human dignity of a client in criminal proceedings in July – a first in Czech legal history. In lustitia's client, a Moroccan, had been attacked and beaten on the street without any recognisable reason in March. A racist motive was not proven, although the perpetrator had already stood for election for the right-wing extremist party DSSS in the Parliamentary elections. The attacker was given a twelve-month suspended sentence and ordered to pay compensation amounting to the equivalent of EUR 2,000 to the victim for property damage, medical treatment and the violation of human dignity. (Report by www.romea.cz, www.in-ius.cz)



Roma family in Kiev that became homeless when their settlement was burned down

CIVIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE DEFENDS ANTIFASCIST VICTIM OF ATTACK

On the Russian national public holiday on 4 November every year there is a great right-wing extremist parade in Russia. Minorities and political opponents are repeatedly hunted down - as was the case again in 2012. Five young antifascists were on their way to a protest rally against the parade. At an underground railway station they were attacked by participants in the "Russian March" who shouted out "Glory for Russia" and "Death to the Antifa". Igor Jaschin (photo) and another person had to be treated in the hospital. The counselling project's lawyer is representing the interests of the five victims in the ongoing investigation proceedings and insists that the hate motive be taken into account. (Report by Civic Assistance Committee, www.refugee.ru)



VIOLENT EXPULSION OF ROMA FROM KIEV

On 31 May 2012 a provisional Roma settlement in Kiev was burned down and shots were fired threatening the inhabitants, who were told "to disappear from Kiev". Several attackers were identified as members of local criminal prosecution authorities. This charge was disputed by the Kiev police.

The Roma women's organisation "Tschirikli" supported the inhabitants in filing charges, arranged for humanitarian assistance and informed international organisations. The intermediation through the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) with the Public Prosecutor's Office and Commissioner for Human Rights of the Ukrainian Government led to a renewed examination of the charges against the police, which is still ongoing. (Report by the organisation "Tschirikli")



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Igor Jaschin was brutally beaten when he protested against right-wing extremism in Russia in November

Czech Roma activists at the blockade of a neo-Nazi demonstration in Brno, 2012





ACTIVITY AREA 3:

COMMITMENT TO THE VICTIMS OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM



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PRESS TRIP IN UKRAINE

In July Foundation staff member Lesya Kharchenko and the Head of Press and Public Relations Work Dietrich Wolf Fenner visited projects funded by the Foundation EVZ with three Ukrainian journalists.





Dietrich Wolf Fenner with Iryna Tereschchenko, Mayor of the city Gluchiv

Valeria Burlakova from the magazine "Ukrainian Week", Anastasija Moskvychova from Radio "Liberty" and Svitlana Galata from the newspapers "Ukraina moloda" and "Osvita v Ukraini" registered for the two-day press trip. They rarely have the opportunity to research features outside the capital city.

In the village of Makoschyno in the Chernigov region the journalists visited the project "Grey path for a hundred ways" of the organisation "Aratta Nachkommen". Project Manager Natalia Kolesnyk presented their work. She has carefully documented the biographies of all the forced labourers under National Socialism in the village. The project also addresses the atrocities of the Wehrmacht: 61 inhabitants of the village were shot in the school yard before the eyes of the children. Three eyewitnesses from Makoschyno told the journalists about their experiences as schoolchildren.

In the multi-generation project elderly survivors are cared for by 150 international volunteers. The old people live alone in scattered settlements such as Ostapivka, from which the next generation has moved away. The objective of the project is to allow the elderly people in the village to participate in social life and to break up their social isolation. Makoschyno has a population of 2,500. Nearly half



of the residents are elderly people in need of help. Since 2012 the funding by the Foundation EVZ has also included the scattered settlement Ostapivka on the other side of the River Desna.

On the second day of the press trip the group visited the project "Generation Union" in the town of Gluchiv in the Sumy Region. From 2009 to 2010 the Foundation funded an idea here that is now financed by the municipality of Gluchiv - the "Patriarch" Club and the "Dendro Park". Mayor Iryna Tereschchenko praised the partnership between the Municipal Children's and Youth Culture Centre and the Gluchiv branch of "Turbota pro Litnih v Ukraini". In the "Patriarch" Club that is funded through the project, the survivors of National Socialism Raisa Dziadyk, Anatolij Golub and Nina Rodynska reported on the event offerings that they design themselves. They gave the press representatives from Kiev a guided tour through their Museum of Remembrance and through the private Jewish Museum. The "Dendro Park" (Tree-Park) garden produced through the project is particularly impressive. Young people and survivors of National Socialism from Gluchiv have together planted 50 exotic trees and created a rose garden on a piece of fallow land. It is the only park in Gluchiv and has become the inter-generational meeting place of the town.









The tasks of the projects in a town like Gluchiv and in rural areas like Makoschyno vary greatly. In Gluchiv it was important to help people to help themselves. The elderly people needed a place. Now they organise events themselves and work in the two museum rooms. In the country it is necessary to release the elderly people from social and geographic isolation and enable basic care and supply services.

Valeria Burlakova, Anastasija Moskvychova and Svitlana Galata reported extensively on the projects and the commitment of the Foundation EVZ in their media.

NEW HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS FOR ELDERLY VICTIMS OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM IN RUSSIA

After a two-year interruption, applications for the funding programme "Dialogue Forum" in Russia were invited again in March 2012. With the Russian branch of the British Charities Aid Foundation (CAF Russia), the Foundation EVZ has found a reliable and professional partner for implementing the programme in Russia. After CAF Russia signed the contract with EVZ in February, everything moved very quickly. The call for applications was published in March, the deadline for submission and the jury meeting to discuss the project applications were in May, and the decision by the Board of Directors of the Foundation and preparation of contracts by CAF Russia took place in June.



Participants in the project "Ekodom", an intergenerational dialogue in Belarus



Pawel Rubintschik guides a group of visitors through the Holocaust Museum in Saint Petersburg that he himself founded

The first ten selected projects began already in July 2012. The Foundation EVZ funds civil society organisations that offer meeting places, encounters and social participation for the survivors of National Socialist persecution. The initiatives funded include both small associations, such as the Association of Jewish Inmates of Ghettos and Concentration Camps, and larger executing agencies such as the association Doverie (Trust) which organises discussions and joint activities for survivors of National Socialism and young people in libraries in the city of Saint Petersburg. Many of the project participants are survivors of the 900-day Leningrad blockade with which the German army specifically targeted death by starvation of the population of the city in the years 1941 to 1944. Especially in old age, the survivors suffer particularly under the delayed physical and psychological consequences of the war and the occupation period.

CAF Russia is a foundation that implements social programmes and projects on behalf of various donors under the slogan "We make charitable giving effective". It has many years of experience in supporting elderly people and sees the promotion of humanitarian projects to benefit the target group of victims of National Socialist persecution as a particular challenge. After the pilot call for applications in 2012 was limited to the city of Saint Petersburg and the Leningrad, Pskov and Novgorod regions, in 2013 CAF Russia will open the call for applications to applicants from all over Russia.

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TREFFPUNKT MECTO ВСТРЕЧИ * DIALOG: ДИАЛОГ

* DIALOGUE FORUM

"Dialogue Forum" aims to grant social recognition to victims of National Socialism and show respect for their experiences of prosecution. The project countries are Belarus, Ukraine and the Russian Federation.



Since 2009 the programme has funded altogether 180 one-year to two-year projects. In 2012 about 6,100 victims of National Socialism and nearly 4,000 other people participated in the projects. During the year altogether 48 projects were approved in Belarus, Russia and Ukraine with a total funding of EUR 880,000.

The project executing agencies are non-governmental organisations (NGOs) including associations of victims of National Socialism and welfare organisations that partly implement the projects together with state welfare facilities.



The funded projects involve both people without mobility problems and those who are no longer able to leave their homes. With the fifth call for applications in October 2012, "Dialogue Forum" is geared even more strongly to the needs of this group of less mobile or non-mobile victims of National Socialism.

Funding is provided e.g. for hobby groups, amateur theatre performances, education groups and excursions as well as counselling offerings and concrete support in everyday life and the household, such as gardening work or shopping. Visits by volunteers to the homes of the elderly people are an expedient and popular way of involving less mobile people in society.

From 2008 to 2012 the Institute for Gerontology of the University of Heidelberg conducted an academic study of the funding programme. The researchers wanted to find out how the social participation, recognition and dialogue with younger generations affect the elderly people. Together with researchers from Moscow and Kiev, they regularly conducted surveys of the project participants. At the beginning of the year the programme executing agencies organised one conference each in Minsk and Kiev for the researchers, media representatives and the interested public. There the academics presented the results of their four-year in-project research. The projects have a positive effect on the physical and psychological health of the elderly target group – this could be proved scientifically and illustrated clearly. One example is the project "Threads of Life" of the executing agency Doverie in Saint Petersburg. Over 100 people are participating in the project, including 45 survivors of the Leningrad Blockade, eight former camp inmates, more than 30 persons who were born before the end of the war. Miriam Arturowna (81) joins in the movement therapy offered by the project and says, "The exercises with music are held in an atmosphere of mutual respect accompanied by background music. We move our arms, shoulders, body and legs. These exercises are very useful and enjoyable for me. I now feel more secure and am able to move about more quickly in everyday life."



When Project Leader Musa Anatoliewna, also a survivor of the blockade, fell and needed to be operated on, the project participants including young volunteers collected money for the operation. Now weekly meetings and rehearsals of the theatre group take place at her home. The young and elderly participants find these and other project activities stimulating for body and spirit. These positive results were illustrated by means of presentations of funded projects, a small photography exhibition and lectures by local experts on the situation of elderly people, particularly the situation of survivors in the respective countries.

WHAT DOES "DIALOGUE FORUM" STAND FOR?

Answers from programme executing organisations in Belarus, Russia and Ukraine:

*Dialogue Forum" brings together different, forgotten groups from the war generation.

The projects funded address themes that had no space in post-Soviet societies.

"Dialogue Forum" aims to promote the development of NGOs and civil society in order to dismantle prejudices between the generations.

Promoting the development of NGOs makes a variety of project themes possible.

Publications

Zimes: Jewreiskaja kuchnia dlja wsjech

Book of recipes in Russian produced in a project, Kiev 2012 My pomnim!

Book with life histories of Holocaust survivors in Russian, produced in a project of a victims' association in Minsk



* PARTNERSHIPS FOR VICTIMS OF NATIONAL SOCIALISM The Foundation EVZ understands its commitment to the elderly victims of National Socialism as a task with an international outreach. That is why it supports project partners in Central and Eastern Europe, Israel and Germany with the programme so that they can share responsibility for enabling the elderly victims of National Socialism to spend their old age in dignity.

Geared to the needs of the victims of National Socialism, new forms of care for the elderly are being publicised across national frontiers. In Ukraine, a senior citizens' day-care centre or the development of a mobile care service are still rarities. In Poland, project partners are treading new ground with coaching on how to deal with dementia. And the Jewish communities in Germany are assuming a pioneer role when they train their staff to cope with long-term consequences of trauma together with experts from Israel.

In its funding programme "Partnerships for Victims of National Socialism", the Foundation EVZ has funded altogether around 165 projects since 2002. In the year 2012 altogether 31 multi-year project partnerships were receiving funding, above all in Ukraine, Poland, Israel, the Czech Republic and Germany.









EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS

Intergenerational dialogue in Russia and Germany

The Association "Work and Life Saxony Anhalt" and the Russian organisation "Znanie" have been sharing their experiences on remembrance work and intergenerational dialogue since 2008. The goals of the partners are to achieve social recognition of victims of National Socialism and their participation in society, e.g. within the context of generation tandems. For this they organised a German-Russian conference in Orjol in August 2012.







"Don't put the weak offside" – Donation campaign for victims of National Socialism in Ukraine

The Ukrainian Samaritan Federation in Charkiv has been operating a home care service for about 100 former female forced labourers since 2008 with funding from the Foundation EVZ. In a donations campaign ahead of the football World Cup in June 2012, the Workers-Samaritans Association also highlighted in the German media the social ills under which victims of National Socialism in Ukraine suffer today.

"Forget me not..." – Self-help for victims of National Socialism suffering from dementia in Warsaw

As an outcome of the cooperation with experts from the registered association "Friends of the Elderly" from Berlin, the Warsaw association "mali bracia Ubogich" established a self-help group for dealing with victims of National Socialism who are suffering from dementia. Around 40 senior citizens and relatives were coached at a workshop in May 2012 and shown how the social and material surroundings of persons suffering from dementia can best be adapted to their needs, as well as how available resources can be put to optimal use.



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SPENDEN FÜR NS-OPFER*

* DONATIONS FOR VICTIMS **OF NATIONAL** SOCIALISM

26 projects in ten countries of Central and Eastern Europe are helping to improve the life situation of some 20,000 victims of National Socialism. The needy victims are supplied with food, fuel for heating and medicines. Operations are made possible, care structures, social centres and meeting places are developed. In particular the donations in kind are vital for many people — meeting their needs is the special concern of this funding programme.

Deutsche Bahn AG transferred a donation of five million Euro to the Foundation EVZ for humanitarian purposes at the end of 2010. The funding programme "Donations for victims of National Socialism" was set up to handle the donation.







In addition, German companies and private individuals donated around EUR 75,000 to the Foundation EVZ in 2012. The donations are used to support humanitarian projects for victims of National Socialism. The call for donations in the article "Find Haika!" by Christine Holch, published as the cover story in the magazine "chrismon" in October 2012, was met with a strong response. In this article the author reported on her moving search for Haika, a Ukrainian forced labourer who had worked in her grandparents' household. Haika had died in the meantime, but the author met Haika's daughters and got to know the country from which Haika came and the people who shared her fate. On her journey through Ukraine she also visited a project of the Foundation EVZ that provides former forced labourers with medicines and other vital supplies.

CARE AND SUPPLIES IN REMOTE RURAL REGIONS

The life situation of victims of National Socialism is particularly precarious in remote villages, where the elderly people are often left to themselves. They live without infrastructure and medical care and rarely receive social benefits or humanitarian assistance. This is why the offerings that reach these people are all the more important. In Djatkovo (Russia), the Foundation EVZ supports mobile care teams that drive through the villages and care for the elderly people. They receive medical care, can use the services of therapists, social workers or a hairdresser, or have urgent repairs carried out on their houses. This means that many victims of National Socialism in need of care and support can remain longer in their familiar surroundings.

YOUNG VOLUNTEERS AGAINST LONELINESS AND FORGETTING

The elderly people are particularly gladdened by young volunteers from Germany who also work in humanitarian projects of the Foundation EVZ. They help the victims of National Socialism with everyday matters, are available to chat and have an open ear for the biographies of the victims. Experiencing this kind of attention and kindness from Germans is particularly important for the victims of National Socialism. The volunteers represent the country that caused great suffering to the people affected in the National Socialist era, yet at the same time the volunteers can give them an impression of how Germany and the Germans born after the war have changed.



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EVENTS 2012

The Foundation EVZ funded the selection of events set out below, implemented by the Foundation or with cooperation partners.



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JANUARY

5.-11.1.12 · Berlin · Hebbel am Ufer Play: "Wellenartillerie Telefunken"

Under the direction of Hans-Werner Kroesinger, the play "Wellenartillerie Telefunken" about the twelve forced labourer camps of the Telefunken wireless company that were located very close to the HAU (Hebbel am Ufer Theatre) was developed and staged at the HAU on 5.1., 6.1., 7.1., 9.1. and 11.1. The play takes a critical look at the mixing of civilian and military technology. The project was first presented at a school in the Kreuzberg district of Berlin and discussed with the pupils.

9.–14.1.12 · Krzyzowa (Kreisau), Poland Seminar: "MICC School"

The Model International Criminal Court (MICC) comprises not only MICC World, but also two other simulation projects on the International Criminal Court: MICC University and MICC School. In 2012, 45 secondary school pupils from Germany and Europe took part in the MICC School. The core element was to simulate four court cases in which the participants took on the roles of prosecutor, defence, judge and clerk of the court and acted out the proceedings of historical criminal cases on the basis of the original records. The subjects of simulation were real court cases from the Nuremberg trials, the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.



Short film on MICC School

The simulations were supplemented by legal, rhetoric and journalistic training units, lectures and eyewitness discussions, the production of media contributions and a press conference. The teachers involved were coached in the field of teaching human rights and developed ideas for transporting the experiences of the MICC into their school routine. MICC is funded in the "Teaching Human Rights" funding programme.

17.-18.1.12 · Minsk, Belarus Conference: "Social participation and responsibility for elderly people in Eastern Europe"

The results of a scientific study that evaluated cross-generational projects in Belarus, Russia, and Ukraine were presented at the Conference. Over a period of two years, an international team of academics coordinated by the Institute for Gerontology of the University of Heidelberg (IfG) tracked projects in favour of victims of National Socialism. The results presented at the conference in Minsk make it clear that by promoting joint activities and exchanges on very different themes, it is possible to foster involvement of the older generation as well as their satisfaction by means of social contacts and their reviews of their own lives. The conference was funded in the programme "Dialogue Forum".

19.1.12 · Berlin · Embassy of the Netherlands Conference: "Engaging youth in learning about the Holocaust and human rights in the 21st century"

An international conference was held at the Paul-Löbe-Haus of the German Bundestag in Berlin on 19.1. to mark the opening of the new travelling exhibition "Yours, Anne. A girl writes history".

Selected specialists and young people discussed how young people can best be stimulated to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive and to work for human rights. At this conference, organised by the Anne Frank House, the Nationaal Comité 4 en 5 mei and the Anne Frank Center, and supported by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Foundation EVZ, Dr Martin Salm, held the introductory talk on the topic "History education and teaching human rights - a union of autonomous partners". The honorary guests at the conference and opening of the exhibition were Jacqueline Sanders-van Maarsen and Dr Albert Gomes de Mesquita, two school friends of Anne Frank who had been invited within the context of the funding programme "Encounters with Eyewitnesses".

20.–21.1.12 · Berlin · Bildungs- und
Begegnungszentrum Clara Sahlberg
Conference: "The war of extermination against
the Soviet Union and the Wannsee Conference
on 20 January 1942. Conference for historians on
the 70th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference"

To mark the 70th anniversary of the Wannsee Conference, the Memorial and Educational Site House of the Wannsee Conference invited historians and other interested parties to a conference on the theme "The war of extermination against the Soviet Union and the Wannsee Conference". At this conference, funded by the Foundation EVZ, the historians gathered not with the objective of continuing old controversies, but instead to discuss research issues with new accents and expanded scope.

20.1.12 · Berlin · German Bundestag, Paul-Löbe-Haus Opening of the exhibition: "Yours, Anne. A girl writes history"

The exhibition tells the story of the girl Anne Frank, her life and times, from the early years in Frankfurt/Main through the flight from the National Socialists and her time in Amsterdam – her happy childhood and difficult times in hiding – right up to the last terrible seven months in the camps of Westerbork, Auschwitz and Bergen-Belsen. The exhibition presented in the Paul-Löbe-Haus also explored the various perspectives of helpers, perpetrators, observers and victims.

22.1.12 · Berlin House of the Wannsee Conference Play: "The Wannsee Conference as Documentary Theatre"

To mark the 70th anniversary, Director Christian Thietz and a group of historians presented a documentary play on the Wannsee Conference at the historical location. Before the start of rehearsals, the researchers spent six months studying the biographies of those who took part in the Conference, members of the SS, the NSDAP and the Ministries of the German Reich. These lay actors then reconstructed the course of the Conference on the basis of the 15-page minutes of the meeting, other documents and research literature. As the protocol does not contain any statements by the participants, they developed their figures with the direct speech possibly used. The presentation addressed people interested in history as well as school pupils. The premiere on 22.1. was followed by four further performances between 23. and 29.1.

23.1.12 · Berlin · Senate Administration for Education, Youth and Science Project presentation/teacher training unit/exhibition: "Art as a medium of interdisciplinary learning: 'The spider and its net'. The diaries of the Dutch Jew Etty Hillesum (1914–1943)"

The exhibition presented here was the result of an artistic-historical workshop headed by the author and illustrator Roman Kroke in May 2011 with the Goethe High School Berlin and the Haganum High School in The Hague (Netherlands) on the diaries of the Dutch Jew Etty Hillesum. The workshop produced catalogues, the publication of which was funded by the Foundation EVZ. The catalogues contain working materials and the pupils' work produced at the workshop. The workshop was also documented in the Belgian film "I am" (2011) about European identity and the culture of remembrance. The Media Forum of the Senate Administration was particularly impressed by the model character of this project.

26.1.12 \cdot Hanover \cdot Historical Museum Book presentation: "Strangers in their own country. Sinti and Roma in Lower Saxony after the Holocaust"

At a press conference Günter Saathoff, Foundation EVZ, and Dr Habbo Knoch, Foundation of Lower Saxony Memorial Sites, together with representatives of the Lower Saxony Association of German













the Holocaust" to the public.

FEBRUARY

15.-16.2.12 · Kiev, Ukraine Conference: "Elderly people in Ukraine"

Sinti and Roma and the Association for History and Life of the Sinti and Roma in Lower Saxony, presented the volume "Strangers in their own

country. Sinti and Roma in Lower Saxony after

At this conference, as beforehand in Minsk, the results of an academic study confirming the success of cross-generational projects in Ukraine were presented. The study evaluated a selection of the Dialogue Forum projects funded had been evaluated over the period of two years. The findings of the Institute for Gerontology at the University of Heidelberg (IfG) which were presented at the conference in Kiev showed that intergenerational projects have a positive influence on the self-acceptance and self-value of the victims of National Socialism and lead to greater participation of elderly people in civil society projects and public life. The conference was funded in the programme "Dialogue Forum" and implemented by "Turbota pro Litnih v Ukraini".



15.—16.2.12 · Hanover Education trade fair 'didacta' Project presentation: "With stamp and signature"

At the education exhibition 'didacta', the Foundation EVZ together with the publisher Wochenschau Verlag presented the new online portal "With stamp and signature". The online offering addresses above all school pupils, students and teachers, and aims to stimulate them to undertake a critical study of sources. At present the internet portal has developed 30 historical documents on forced labour under National Socialism and the practice of compensation between 1945 and 2003. The documents presented were used for payments to former forced labourers by the Foundation EVZ. Teaching materials are available for each document, complementing them with worksheets, questions, background stories, critical notes on the sources, interpretations and the web links, thus allowing a diversified study of the sources.





MARCH

2.–7.3.12 · Krzyzowa (Kreisau), Poland Seminar: MICC University

Within the context of the MICC University, 50 international students addressed of humanitarian international law at the Kreisau Foundation. They linked the simulation of cases before the International Criminal Court with training and seminar units on the history of human rights. MICC is funded in the programme "Teaching Human Rights".

5.3.12 · Berlin · Jewish Museum Berlin Book presentation: "Welchen der Steine du hebst. Filmische Erinnerung an den Holocaust"

To mark the publication of the anthology "Welchen der Steine du hebst" (Whichever stone you lift), the editors Prof. Dr Claudia Bruns, Humboldt-University Berlin, Asal Dardan, cultural expert and film curator, and Dr Anette Dietrich, Humboldt-University Berlin, discussed remembrance of the Holocaust in films with authors published in the anthology. Public remembrance of the Holocaust is shaped by iconic pictures. The articles in the volume are thus devoted to examples of films that critically explore iconic patterns and raise questions about the possibilities of remembrance. How has remembrance of the persecution and mass murders under National Socialism in films changed? Prof. Thomas Macho, Humboldt-University Berlin, held an introductory lecture on the subject.

7.3.12 · Berlin · Representation of the Free State of Saxony in the Federal Republic Panel discussion: "Forced labour was female"

More than half of the forced labourers deported from Poland and the former Soviet Union were young girls and women under the age of 20. These forced labourers suffered particularly hard if they became pregnant during this forced labour. This first event in the series "Victims of the German war of extermination in the East" held by the Foundation EVZ in cooperation with Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste e.V., the German-Russian Museum Berlin-Karlshorst, Gegen Vergessen - Für Demokratie e. V. and the Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe was devoted to the working and living conditions of these women, as well as the later situation of the former forced labourers back in their home countries. The eyewitnesses Halina Koseska and Barbara

Rybeczko-Tarnowiecka from Poland talked to Prof. Dr Gertrud Pickhan, Freie Universität Berlin, about their experiences. The event was hosted by State Secretary Erhard Weimann, trustee of the Foundation EVZ.

18.3.12 · Dortmund
LWL Industrial Museum Zollern Colliery
Opening of the exhibition: "Forced Labour. The
Germans, the Forced Labourers and the War"

After Berlin and Moscow, the travelling exhibition was on show at the Zollern Colliery in Dortmund from 18.3. to 30.9.2012. The Zollern Colliery is an authentic place of forced labour, as forced labourers from many nations were deployed here as well as throughout the Ruhr mining area in order to uphold the German war economy. The Industrial Museum Zollern Colliery presented the exhibition in cooperation with the Steinwache Memorial, which is based in the building of the former local Gestapo prisons. The exhibition, adapted to the context of this station, created links with the towns and industrial sectors in Westphalia and the Ruhr area and referred to concrete examples of forced labour in the Greater Dortmund area. Supporting events included lectures, excursions and other offerings.

23.–25.3.12 · Central Saxony Educational trip: "Grandma's Pole – Forced labour in Saxony"

The extent of forced labour at the time of National Socialism is still underestimated or not perceived by many today. "Grandma's Pole" was not counted as a forced labourer, but instead as a foreign labourer. On this educational trip by the Herbert-Wehner Educational Centre Central Saxony, places of remembrance were visited and the ways in which regional history is dealt with were discussed. The programme included eyewitness discussions, an introduction to the possibilities of research, a visit to the Ehrenhain-Zeithain Memorial Site, and city tours focusing on politics and history.

APRIL

17.–27.4.12 · Berlin Events: Berlin Foundation Week 2012

Again in 2012, all foundations that are based or have a representation in Berlin were invited to present their work with their own events and projects at the third Berlin Foundation Week. The Foundation Week aims to make commitment visible, to network foundations and to present Berlin's foundation life. The Foundation EVZ participated with two events and a project.

17.4.12 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ
Panel discussion: "The duty of commemoration!
Citizens' commitment and active solidarity with
the surviving victims of National Socialism"

A few days before the speech held by Marcel Reich-Ranicki in the German Bundestag, the Federal Court of Social Affairs denied around 20,000 Jewish victims of National Socialism parts of their pension claims based on work in the ghetto. Are law and morals in contradiction here, or is scope for discretion available left unused? Is the court judgement an expression of a lack of solidarity in society with the still surviving victims of National Socialism? Against the background of the Israeli Shoah Memorial Day on 19 April, the Auschwitzsurvivor Giselle Cycowicz together with ghetto pension expert Jan-Robert von Renesse, Eberhard Radczuweit from KONTAKTE-KOHTAKTЫ e. V., and Alexander Diepold from the Sinti and Roma Corporation e. V. discussed how much solidarity from society victims of National Socialism experience in Germany and Israel. In addition, possibilities of commitment for the benefit of Jewish survivors, former Russian prisoners of war or persecuted Roma and Sinti were pointed out. Dr Rafael Seligmann, Jewish Voice of Germany, moderated the event. The Ambassador of the State of Israel, Yakov Hadas-Handelsman, provided a word of greeting. The event was a Foundation EVZ project in the funding programme "Partnerships for Victims of National Socialism".

Country finals: "International Youth Debate" 17.4.12 · Budapest, Hungary 20.4.12 · Saint Petersburg, Russia 27.4.12 · Kiev, Ukraine

The country finals of "International Youth Debate" were once again, as every year, the highlight of the competition in the respective project countries. Alongside Hungary these include Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, the Czech Republic and Ukraine. "International Youth Debate" is a competition for secondary school students learning German in Central and Eastern Europe. The project aims to encourage participants to take a critical look at themes that are politically and socially relevant and makes a contribution to political





















education. Debating in German also helps to improve the language skills of the young people. "International Youth Debate – country competition in Central and Eastern Europe" is a project of the Goethe-Institut, the Foundation EVZ, the Hertie Foundation and the Central Agency of Schools Abroad.

18.-24.4.12 · Wiesbaden goEast Film Festival

At its twelfth session the goEast festival, which is organised by the German Film Institute, in Wiesbaden, Frankfurt/Main, and for the first time in Mainz too, again presented ten feature films and six documentary films from Germany, Central and Eastern Europe and Israel in the competition. In 2012 too, the Foundation EVZ funded the prize money of EUR 10,000 for the documentary film award "Remembrance and Future". Dr Ralf Possekel, Foundation EVZ, highlighted the contribution that documentary films make to society: "Documentary films offer the opportunity to break down our prejudices and give reality a voice."

19.4.12 · Berlin · British Embassy Book presentation and reading: "Freedom, War and Revenge. Survival with the Jewish Partisans"

The second cooperative event in the series "Victims of the German war of extermination in the East" was devoted to the partisan struggle against the occupying forces. The Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and the British Embassy presented the memoirs of Jack (Idel) Kagan, "Freedom, War and Revenge". Kagan (*1929) was one of 120 inmates in the ghetto who was able to flee through a self-built tunnel and joined up with the Jewish Bielski partisans. This unit saved the lives of over 1,200 Jews. In the presence of H.E. Simon McDonald, Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Adam Kerpel-Fronius from the Foundation Memorial introduced the subject. Following a word of welcome by Jack Kagan, the actor Franz Dinda read from Kagan's memoirs.

$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{20.4.12} \, \cdot \, \textbf{Berlin} \, \cdot \, \textbf{Foundation EVZ} \\ \textbf{Opening reception: MICC World - Simulation} \\ \textbf{of the International Criminal Court} \end{array}$

On 20.4. the Foundation EVZ welcomed 60 school pupils from South Africa, Uganda, Vietnam, Afghanistan, Poland, Slovenia, the Netherlands and

Germany to the opening event of the MICC World project at the Foundation's offices. Dr Leonie von Braun, spokesperson of the Working Group against Impunity at Amnesty International Germany and public prosecutor at the Regional Court Berlin, held the opening lecture, "The International Criminal Court - looking back at the first decade". After this the young people travelled to Kreisau in Poland, where from 20. to 26.4., after legal, content-specific and rhetorical training sessions, they simulated cases that had been heard before the International Criminal Court in The Hague. In particular, they addressed crimes against humanity and international criminal law. The projects MICC School and MICC University are funded by the Foundation in the programme "Teaching Human Rights". MICC World was held for the first time in this country constellation.

24.4.12 · Wiesbaden · Caligari Film Bühne Award presentation: Documentary Film Award "Remembrance and Future"

In 2012 the Foundation EVZ's documentary film prize "Remembrance and Future" worth EUR 10,000, awarded at the Central and East European Film Festival goEast, went to the German film "Revision" by Philip Scheffner. The jury explained the reasons for their selection: the film "Revision" reminds us that genuine curiosity, passion and solidarity in a documentary film are crucial for careful research and exploration.

25.4.12 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ Book presentation: "Recognising, naming and counteracting antiziganism"

The first comprehensive manual on the topic of antiziganism and the history of Sinti and Roma presented here, developed by the youth education centre "Alte Feuerwache e. V. - Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstrasse", targets educators, social workers, education and memorial sites, universities, colleges and schools. Alongside information on historical and present-day antiziganism, it explains the structure and function of antiziganist resentment. However, its prime focus is on educational guidelines. At the presentation selected methods were introduced and discussed by the Project Managers Kerem Atasever and Susanne Blome from Alte Feuerwache e.V. and the academic advisor Markus End from the Technical University Berlin. Günter Saathoff from the Foundation EVZ, Ina Bielenberg from the Arbeitskreis Deutsche Bildungsstätten, Udo Michallik,

Secretary General of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the German Länder, and Daniel Strauß from the association Verband Deutscher Sinti and Roma e. V., – State Association Baden-Württemberg, provided words of welcome.

25.4.12 · Berlin
State Representation of Bremen
Lecture and panel discussion: "Enforced
disappearance. As a violation of human rights —
(not) a problem for Germany"

In December 2010, after three decades of negotiations, the most recent Human Rights Convention of the United Nations entered into force, the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. The discovery of new mass graves, as in Libya, or the unknown fate of countless people in Syria show how topical this subject is. Despite this, so far only 91 states have signed the Convention. What must be done in order to make the Convention as effective an instrument as possible against crimes of enforced disappearance? This and other questions were discussed in the lecture and debate. Prof. Dr Beate Rudolf from the German Institute for Human Rights, Prof. Emmanuel Decaux from the Committee on the UN Convention against Enforced Disappearance, the lawyer Wolfgang Kaleck from the European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights (ECCHR) and Dr Almut Wittling-Vogel, Commissioner of the German Government for Human Rights Issues, all participated in the event, which was moderated by Michael Windfuhr, German Institute for Human Rights.

27.–28.4.12 · Lucerne, Switzerland Centre for Human Rights Education International Conference: "Materials for Teaching Human Rights"

Four projects in the "Teaching Human Rights" programme presented their results for discussion at workshops. At the final plenary session the Foundation EVZ presented its approach to human rights education in connection with history learning. The Foundation funded the participation of education experts from Central and Eastern Europe in the Conference. A publication with results of the conference is in preparation.

MAY

Country finals: "International Youth Debate"

2.5.12 · Riga, Latvia

3.5.12 · Vilnius, Lithuania

4.5.12 · Tallinn, Estonia

23.5.12 · Prague, Czech Republic

31.5.12 · Warsaw, Poland

This year's country finals of "International Youth Debate" again provided exciting debates. The first two winners from each country qualified for the international final in Vilnius, where they are able to present their good German-speaking skills and match up against the winners of all the other country finals in debates.

3.-4.5.12 · Frankfurt/Main
Youth Welfare Office
Conference: "Perspectives. Anti-Semitism
in the migration society. Anti-Semitism and
everyday culture"

The conference series "Perspectives. Anti-Semitism in the migration society" initiated by the Foundation EVZ in its funding programme "Histories in Diversity" was continued in Frankfurt/ Main with "Anti-Semitism and everyday culture". After the first conference which focused on "Education arena - Life world", the question now addressed concerned every-day cultural aspects. In close exchanges between academic researchers and educational practice, interfaces between every-day cultures and anti-Semitism were analysed and potentials for preventive-educational concepts were discussed. What does every-day culture mean in the migration society? Is anti-Semitism a constituent part? What role do media, sports, music, references to history and cultures of remembrance play? And what educational avenues can be explored that perceive different life realities and take them seriously?

4.5.12 · Dortmund LWL-Industrial Museum Zollern Colliery Eyewitness discussions "Eyewitnesses meet school pupils"

In connection with the international travelling exhibition "Forced labour. The Germans, the forced labourers and the war", former forced labourers were available as eyewitnesses to answer questions posed by schoolchildren at an event on 4.5.













7.-8.5.12 · Berlin · Alte Feuerwache e. V. Training session on the subject of antiziganism

The youth education centre "Alte Feuerwache e. V. – Jugendbildungsstätte Kaubstrasse" offered a training course using the methods manual on the subject of antiziganism. Educators, social workers and multipliers from educational and memorial site work were invited to attend. The methods manual was funded in the programme "Histories in Diversity".



8.5.12 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ Opening of the exhibition "A torn life – memories of Ukrainian forced labourers in the Rhineland"

The exhibition presented in the foyer of the Foundation EVZ showed the life stories of ten Ukrainian women who were incarcerated as patients in the State Women's Clinic Wuppertal-Elberfeld during World War II. Most of them had to give birth to their first child under conditions of forced labour in the National Socialist era. Two are daughters who were born in Wuppertal. This exhibition by the State Association Rhineland illustrated the arbitrary recruitment of female forced labourers - even if they were pregnant - by the National Socialist regime, the life circumstances of the mothers and the merciless way in which the newborns were treated. Günter Saathoff of the Foundation EVZ and the deputy Ambassador of Ukraine, Vasyl Khymynets, spoke at the opening event. The Head of the Archives Department of the Landschaftsverband Rheinland, Dr Arie Nabrings, introduced the exhibition. To mark the occasion of the 67th anniversary of the end of the war, the Foundation EVZ showed the exhibition for a month in its foyer.



10.—11.5.12 · Bochum · Ruhr University Conference: "Compensation as a Human Right? Theory and practice of dealing with the victims of collective violence"



At the beginning of the millennium, after complicated international political negotiations, the Foundation EVZ was founded and together with seven partner organisations was to undertake a final gesture towards former forced labourers in World War II and at the same time produce legal certainty for German companies threatened by



litigation in the USA. An international research project based at the University of Bochum examined the implementation of this payments programme undertaken in the years 2001 to 2007 and this year presented its results for discussion at a closing conference.

15.5.12 · Mannheim University of Applied Labour Studies of the Federal Employment Agency Conference: "Antiziganism in Europe – Forms, Effects, Counterstrategies"

The international symposium under the patronage of Winfried Kretschmann, Minister President of Baden-Württemberg, pointed out forms and effects of antiziganism. The life situation of the Sinti and Roma is critically influenced by the antiziganism in the majority society, but nonetheless this the subject has not been adequately researched in academic circles. The symposium summarised the state of knowledge about antiziganism and discussed strategies for action in politics and society. The Foundation EVZ funded the conference and the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Dr Martin Salm, provided a word of welcome.

25.5.12 · Sulzbach-Rosenberg Exhibition: "Sulzbach-Rosenberg under the swastika — National Socialist forced labour in rural areas"

Supported by the municipality of Sulzbach-Rosenberg and the Rural District of Amberg-Sulzbach, the project group Forced Labour invited the public to the opening of the exhibition "Sulzbach-Rosenberg under the swastika – National Socialist forced labour in rural areas".

JUNE

31.5.−2.6.12 · Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial Site

Expert Conference: "National Socialist history – Institutions – Human Rights. Members of the police, judiciary and state administration as target groups for human rights education and political history education work on National Socialism"

The Conference formed the close of a two-and-ahalf-year project funded in the programme "Teaching Human Rights" addressing the Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial Site. At the conference the results of the project were presented and placed in the setting of current debates on history learning, teaching human rights, Holocaust education and democracy teaching as forms of dealing with historical experiences of injustice. The associated publication with education materials was published by Metropol Verlag at the end of 2012.

5.6.12 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ Opening of the exhibition: "Armenians and the war 1941–1945"

The life stories of 23 Armenians who were Soviet prisoners of war or forced labourers were shown at the exhibition presented in the foyer of the Foundation EVZ from 5.6. to 11.8. Fabian Burkhardt designed the exhibition and during his volunteer assignment he interviewed and photographed victims of National Socialism who were receiving support in the project "Psycho-social and medical care for former victims of National Socialism in Armenia" operated by the German Red Cross State Association Baden-Württemberg and funded by the Foundation EVZ. The Foundation also funded the travelling exhibition, for which Stuttgart was the first station. At the opening Fabian Burkhardt provided an introduction to the exhibition and Project Manager Michael Uibel from the German Red Cross State Association Baden-Württemberg reported on his project in Armenia.

14.6.12 · Berlin · Gethsemane Church Reading: "Every-day life under German occupation. Reading marathon with texts from diaries, letters and memories"

On 22.6.1941 the German army invaded the Soviet Union and began an unsurpassed war of extermination. What occupation meant in every-day life for the Polish and Soviet civilian population was illustrated with the aid of biographical sources. Starting from the day of the invasion, samples of testimonies and memories of the conquest of these areas, the establishment of ghettos, mass murders, the Leningrad Blockade, the resistance of the (Jewish) partisans, and the deportation of young people and children for forced labour in Germany were read by the actors Beate

Marie Schulz and Thorsten Heidel. Vicar Christian Zeiske welcomed the public. Dr Jörg Morré from the German-Russian Museum Berlin-Karlshorst provided an introduction to the subject. The reading marathon was part of the cooperative event series "Victims of the German war of extermination in the East".

14.6.12 · Dortmund · Steinwache Memorial Panel discussion: "The compensation of forced labourers under National Socialism at the beginning of the 21st century"

In the context of the international travelling exhibition "Forced labour. The Germans, the Forced Labourers and the War", the Steinwache Memorial invited the public to a discussion panel. Prof. Dr Constantin Goschler, Ruhr University Bochum, presented his book project "The compensation of forced labourers under National Socialism at the beginning of the 21st century".

14.—16.6.12 · Berlin · Topography of Terror 57th National memorial site seminar: "'Don't forget and don't repeat.' References to the present in education work at memorial sites"

Within the context of the working group "Teaching Human Rights at memorial sites", representatives of memorial sites in Germany debated and visited various institutions in Berlin. The Foundation EVZ collaborated in the thematic complex titled "Teaching Human Rights at memorial sites - a meaningful reference to the present?" and presented three projects funded in the "Teaching Human Rights" programme for discussion, including the project of the International Youth Encounter Centre Auschwitz, "Human Rights begin with the rights of the child - development and trying out of a project on teaching human rights with historical references for young people from Oswiecim". On 15.6. the Foundation EVZ held a reception for the participants of the Memorial Site Seminar at the offices of the Foundation EVZ.

16.6.12 · Bedburg-Hau Children's and youth theatre 'mini-art' Play: "Änne's last journey"

The play on the topic "Euthanasia in National Socialism" is a documentary fiction about a German subject which was suppressed for a long time. In the National Socialist era, a young woman is referred to a psychiatric clinic. With a documentary play the young people follow her shocking fate right up to an extermination camp. The pro-





















ject was funded by the Foundation EVZ in the funding programme "Teaching Human Rights". The play was also staged on 18.6., 19.6. and 24.6. in the festival week marking the 100th anniversary of the LVR Clinic Bedburg-Hau.

20.-22.6.12 · Berlin Mendelssohn-Remise, Berlin Congress: "250 years of the Mendelssohn family"

The international Congress "250 years of the Mendelssohn family" was organised by the Institute for the History of German Jews, Hamburg, the Mendelssohn Society, the State Library in Berlin, the "Foundation New Synagogue Berlin – Centrum Judaicum" and the Academic Working Group of the Leo Baeck Institute in the Federal Republic of Germany, and was funded by the Foundation Preussische Seehandlung, the Gesellschaft für die Erforschung der Geschichte der Juden e. V. and the Foundation EVZ. The contributions to the Congress illustrated the broad range of life realities in the extensive Mendelssohn family over the course of 250 years.

JULY

27.6.—1.7.12 · Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina Conference: "Reconciliation, Memorialization and Human Rights"

The international Conference organised by the association Humanity in Action e. V. is the annual forum for more than 200 committed people who work to promote human rights, diversity and an active civil society. The programme for this year's conference in Sarajevo included discussions on reconciliation, remembrance and human rights in the Balkans and visits to Potocari, the Memorial Site for the Massacre of Srebrenica, Mostar and the front line of the siege of Sarajevo. The Conference also served to expand the network of Humanity in Action e. V. on the Balkans.

AUGUST

10.8.12 \cdot Berlin \cdot Foundation EVZ Reception for volunteers from Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste e. V.

Eight volunteers from the association Aktion Sühnezeichen Friedensdienste e.V. (ASF) came together to gather information about the history of the development of the Foundation EVZ and its

activity areas before starting their service to benefit victims of National Socialism in Poland, the Czech Republic, Russia, Belarus or Ukraine. The Foundation EVZ has been supporting the ASF Volunteer Service since 2001. In the 2012/13 cycle 13 young ASF volunteers were funded.

21.8.2013 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ
Opening of the exhibition: "Germany after 1945:
A Society Confronts Antisemitism, Racism and
Neo-Nazism"

The English-language exhibition of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation presented for the first time focused on the past and present. It showed what role Nazi groups, anti-Semitism and racism played in the two German states after the Second World War. It explored questions of how Germans in the East and West faced up to responsibility for the crimes of National Socialism, how the state and civil society react to right-wing violence today and what the every-day life of those people threatened by Neo-Nazis is like. The exhibition also presented projects and initiatives working to protect minorities and achieve more democracy in every-day life. It is designed as an international travelling exhibition and will be shown in New York in spring 2013. The Foundation EVZ presented the exhibition in its foyer from 21.08. to 26.09.12. Dr Anna Kaminsky from the Federal Foundation for the Reappraisal of the SED Dictatorship and the Envoy of the Israeli Embassy in Germany, Emmanuel Nahson, provided words of welcome at the opening. Anetta Kahane from the Amadeu Antonio Foundation gave an introduction to the exhibition.

SEPTEMBER

4.-24.9.12 · Hildesheim
City Hall of the city of Hildesheim
Exhibition: "Strangers in their own land. Sinti
and Roma in Lower Saxony after the Holocaust"

Only a few thousand men, women and children survived the attempted genocide on Sinti and Roma in Germany. Since 1940, about 1,000 Sinti and Roma had been deported from Lower Saxony, of whom only roughly one in ten lived to see the liberation. Photos, documents, films and filmed eyewitness interviews by schoolchildren formed the core of the exhibition presented here, which is a direct continuation of the travelling exhibition "From Lower Saxony to Auschwitz. The persecu-

tion of Sinti and Roma in the National Socialist era" that has been shown in 45 Lower Saxony communities since 2003. Following words of welcome by the Lord Major of the city of Hildesheim Kurt Machens, Ricardo Laubinger from the Association Verein Hildesheimer Sinti e. V., and Reinhold Baaske from the Association History and Life of the Sinti and Roma in Lower Saxony, the historian and co-designer of the exhibition Boris Erchenbrecher introduced the theme of the show.

5.9.12 · Berlin · State Representation of the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen in the Federal Republic

Eyewitness discussion: "'And even if we have to rob or steal them'. The forced Germanising of Polish children by the National Socialists"

During World War II Polish children were forcibly Germanised. According to cautious estimates, at least 20,000 children who corresponded to the racial criteria of National Socialism were deported, re-educated in institutions and handed over to German adoptive parents. After the end of the war some of the children were taken back to Poland, where they often did not find any relatives any longer and were berated as Germans. Anna Berezowska and Barbara Paciorkiewicz, both victims of this racial ideology, talked about their memories of this mass crime to the historian Iris Helbing. The host of the event by the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen was the Foundation Trustee Councillor Prof. Dr Eva Quante-Brandt. Words of welcome were given by Günter Saathoff, Foundation EVZ, and Andrzej Szynka, Embassy of the Republic of Poland.

10.9.12 · Berlin · State Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia in the Federal Republic Discussion: "60 years of the Luxembourg Agreement"

The Luxembourg Agreement, signed on 10.9.1952 by German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and the Israeli Foreign Minister Mosche Scharet, offered the Deutsche Gesellschaft e.V. association an occasion to commemorate 60 years of the process of German-Israeli understanding. With this agreement Germany assured the State of Israel and the Jewish Claims Conference reparation for Jewish victims of National Socialism amounting to over DM three billion. In the discussion event funded by the Foundation EVZ, representatives from cultural life and politics explored the public per-

ception and after-effects of the Luxembourg Agreement and enquired about the relations between West Germany and East Germany on the one hand, and Israel on the other, as well as the perspectives of German-Israeli dialogue.

12.9.12 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ
Presentation of the project folder: "Smuggled out of the Concentration Camp – Remembrance,
Arts and Human Dignity"

The Foundation EVZ presented the multipleaward-winning project folder "Smuggled out of the Concentration Camp". This publication for education work both in and out of school was developed within the scope of the project "Poetry and music as a means of defending human rights" by Dr Constanze Jaiser and Jacob David Pampuch. The teaching concept for young people from all kinds of schools builds bridges between history learning and teaching of human rights. Among other prizes, the publication received the Annalise-Wagner Award. Following a word of welcome by Dr Norbert Kampe from the House of the Wannsee Conference, Mark Rackles, State Secretary for Education in the Senate Administration for Education, Youth and Science, gave an introductory talk. Dr Constanze Jaiser presented the project folder. Jacob David Pampuch, along with Małgorzata Reichert and other young people from the Alternative Youth Centre Dessau contributed music and poems which they had recorded for a CD accompanying the project folder.



The German war campaign against the Soviet Union included targeted economic plundering of the country. A memorandum of 2.5.1941 from German Secretary of State speaks of allowing "tens of millions" of people to starve. There was starvation in the major cities in the areas close to the front line already a few weeks after the invasion. Systematic plundering of the town of Charkiv led to the death of around 12,000 people there in the winter of 1941/42. Following a welcome address by Uwe Neumärker from the Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and words of welcome from Dr Michael Parak from the association Gegen Vergessen - Für Demokratie e. V., the Ukrainian historian Anatoli Skorobogatov and the Eastern Europe historian





















Wilfried Jilge with Dr Heike Dörrenbächer from the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Osteuropakunde (DGO) talked about the plan to starve Charkiv. The panel discussion was a further event in the series "Victims of the German war of extermination in the East".

15.9.12 · Frankfurt/Main · Mal Seh'n Kino Documentary film award "Remembrance and Future" on tour – "Revision" (2012)

In the presence of the Director Philip Scheffner, the documentary film "Revision", winner of this year's documentary film prize "Remembrance and Future", was screened in Frankfurt/Main. The prize, which has been awarded since 2008, is for directors who take a critical approach to developments in and the course of society in their countries and point out cross-border perspectives. The format "Documentary Film Award 'Remembrance and Future' on tour" was established in order to offer the winning film a forum beyond festival boundaries and to promote exchange between filmmakers and the public.

20.9.12 · Berlin Museum Blindenwerkstatt Otto Weidt Lecture: "Between Kitsch and Art: Artistic Forms of Remembering Raoul Wallenberg"

This lecture formed the prelude to a series of events held by the Swedish Embassy in Berlin in cooperation with the Centrum Judaicum and partly with funding from the Foundation EVZ to mark the 100th birthday of Raoul Wallenberg. The series commemorated various aspects of the life and work of the Swedish diplomat who saved tens of thousands of Jews in Budapest from extermination by the National Socialists in a few crucial months from 1944 to 1945.

20.–23.9.12 · Cracow, Poland
Third international Meeting: "Young Europeans for a World without Violence 2012"

The third international meeting of around 1,200 young people from Italy, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Russia, Hungary and Ukraine organised by the Sant' Egidio Community and funded by the Foundation EVZ took place in Cracow. The highlights were the Congress "Young Europeans for a World without Violence 2012" and the visit to the State Museum Auschwitz with a march of silence to the former extermination camp Auschwitz-Birkenau. The Congress included not only lectures, but also encounters and discussions with eyewitnesses.

23.—29.9.12 · Chisinau, Moldova, and Odessa, Ukraine Symposium: "Transnistria – The Forgotten Holocaust, 1941 to 1944"

The English-language International Forum 2012 of the History Workshop Europe focused on Transnistria as a site of the Holocaust and the sufferings of the Roma in the present cultures of remembrance in Romania, Ukraine, Israel and Moldova. The venue was the State University Moldau in Chisinau. In addition, excursions to Odessa and Bogdanovka, Ukraine, were offered. 25 Fellows from Eastern and Central Eastern Europe as well as students, PhD candidates, historians and social scientists from Moldova, Ukraine, Romania, Israel, the USA and Germany took part in the International Forum 2012. In addition to seminars on the Holocaust and Porajmos in the region, there was an opportunity to attend methodological introductions to Oral History, biographical interviews and museology. The International Forum is funded in the "History Workshop Europe" forum.

24.9.12 · Berlin
Felleshus of the Nordic Embassies
In-service training for teachers: "Raoul Wallenberg – an example of responsible action"

This training unit with the Swedish Psychiatrist Thomas Böhm held in the series of events marking the 100th birthday of Raoul Wallenberg targeted educationalists and was organised by the Memorial and Educational Site House of the Wannsee Conference and the Swedish Embassy. The Foundation EVZ co-funded the event series.

29.9.12 · Dortmund
LWL Industrial Museum Zollern Colliery
Closing event: "Forced labour. The Germans,
the Forced Labourers and the War"

This year's Museum Night in Dortmund was also the closing event of the international travelling exhibition on the history of forced labour under National Socialism funded by the Foundation EVZ. Following stations in Berlin and Moscow, the exhibition was shown for the first time at an authentic site where forced labourers had been deployed. 60 representative case histories formed

the core of this exhibition, which was under the patronage of German President Joachim Gauck. There was a comprehensive supporting programme for the exhibition on this day within the framework of the Dortmund Museum Night. In addition to film screenings and special guided tours, the Klezmer Musician Helmut Eisel gave a performance. Despite this being the closing event, the exhibition remained on show up to and including 14.10.

OCTOBER

2.-3.10.12 · Munich · City Centre Citizens' Festival marking the central celebrations of the Day of German Unity

The Foundation EVZ presented its funding commitment to an interested public in the Munich City Centre at the Citizens' Festival on the occasion of the central celebrations marking the Day of German Unity for two days.

4.-6.10.12 · Berlin · Freie Universität Berlin Conference: "Remembrance of Forced Labour: Eyewitness interviews in the digital world"

The Conference was organised by the Center for Digital Systems (CeDIS) of the Freie Universität Berlin in cooperation with the Foundation EVZ. Focal areas were the potentials of digital interview archives and the challenges of developing them. The following questions were discussed: What does the digital future of Oral History look like? How can forced labour under National Socialism be integrated into the cultural memory? Challenges of building up a digital archives - from conducting the interviews to presenting them online – were illustrated with the example of the online archive "Forced labour 1939–1945" developed at the Freie Universität Berlin and initiated by the Foundation EVZ. Discussion forums on the topics of research, online archives, museum and education work, and an ideas workshop enabled exchanges on current projects. On the opening evening the former forced labourer Paul Schaffer reported live about his life history. The participants also had the opportunity to go on an excursion visiting historical sites of forced labour in Berlin.

9.—11.10.12 · Beit Lohamei Hagetaot, Israel The Ghetto Fighters' House Museum Conference: "Holocaust Education for Democratic Values"

The Centrum for Humanistic Education (CHE) at the Ghetto Fighters' House Museum organised the conference funded by the Foundation EVZ in the "Teaching Human Rights" programme. It addressed Israeli education experts. Alongside the Israeli Ministry of Education and the Holocaust Memorial Sites Yad Vashem and Massuah, universities and teacher training institutes were involved in the conference. The central question considered was the contribution that Holocaust education can make to teaching democratic values. The conference produced impulses for the further development of Holocaust Education in Israel that are to be pursued further in a network of the actors involved.

10.10.12. • Berlin • Centrum Judaicum Opening of the exhibition: "I don't have a choice"

The exhibition by the Swedish Institute and Forum for Living History was shown at the Centrum Judaicum from 10.10. to 11.11. to mark the 100th birthday of Raoul Wallenberg. The Foundation EVZ co-funded the exhibition and the series of supporting events on Raoul Wallenberg.

11.10.12 · Berlin · Arsenal Cinema Documentary film award "Remembrance and Future" on tour – "Revision" (2012)

Philip Scheffner's film investigation "Revision", this year's winner of the documentary film prize funded by the Foundation EVZ, rolls out a 20-yearold case. In June 1992 two people are found shot in a field in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania near the German-Polish border. They are the Romanian Roma Grigore Velcu and Eudache Calderar. The case is quickly dismissed as a hunting accident. Scheffner's documentary "Revision" reveals countless gaps and contradictions and his filmed reconstruction results in a topical picture of German reality. The film was screened in Berlin's Arsenal cinema and after the showing the director discussed the issue with Eduard George Caldarau of the association Amaro Foro e.V., Helmut Dietrich from the Society for Research into Flight and Migration, and the moderator Dr Grit Lemke.



















15.10.12 · Berlin · Centrum Judaicum Ceremony at Centrum Judaicum

This reception with an address by the President of the German Bundestag, Prof. Dr Norbert Lammert, and the President of the Swedish Parliament, Per Westerberg, was also part of the event series on the life and work of Raoul Wallenberg, which was co-funded by the Foundation EVZ.

18.10.12 · Berlin · Foundation EVZ Opening: "Harassed existence – Roma surviving National Socialist terror in Ukraine"

The exhibition, presented for the first time, shows 16 Roma who survived the German tyranny in Ukraine during World War II and describes their eventful life in the war and the post-war period, as well as their everyday situation now. In May 2012 the photographer Birgit Meixner portrayed Roma in Ukraine who were participating in projects of the Foundation EVZ. Meixner's portraits are snapshots from the life of an ethnic minority that is still harassed today. The projects benefiting Roma in need and the exhibition are being funded by the "Donations for the victims of National Socialism" programme which was endowed with funds of five million Euros through a donation by Deutsche Bahn AG. Olena Fjudr, project manager of "Ame Roma" and alumni scholarship holder of the Foundation EVZ, travelled from Ukraine for the opening to report on the social situation of surviving Roma in Solotonosha.

19.10.12 · Vilnius, Lithuania 6th International Finals: "International Youth Debate"

The finalists from eight Central and East European countries gathered in Vilnius to explore history and human rights and measure up to each other in debates conducted in German. The Jury elected Gréta Szabó from Hungary as winner of the ceremonial final debate and hence of the competition 2011/12, in which altogether more than 1,700 pupils from over 140 schools took part.

22.10.12 · Berlin Johann-Trollmann-Boxcamp Kreuzberg Reading with boxing match: "Leg dich, Zigeuner." (Go down, gypsy) The story of Johann Trollmann and Tull Harder

Johann Trollmann, known as "Rukeli", was a German Sinto and in 1933 he won the German Light Heavyweight Championship. Rukeli's unusual and successful boxing style was branded as

"ungerman". The National Socialists prevented his title and career and murdered him in the Wittenberge sub-camp of the Neuengamme Concentration Camp in 1944. In his double biography presented here, the Journalist Roger Repplinger explores the story of the "Arian" football star Tull Harder and the "Gypsy Boxer" Johann Trollmann. The two sports idols met in the Concentration Camp – Trollmann as inmate and Harder as SS Commander of the camp. In the Johann-Trollmann Boxing Camp the amateur boxers from Boxclub Minden presented a show fight under the guidance of the Sinto Oswald Marschall before the reading. The reading was funded by the Foundation EVZ within the framework of the support programme for the inauguration of the Memorial to the Sinti and Roma of Europe murdered under National Socialism on 24.10.12.

23.10.12 · Berlin · Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe Reading: "I wanted to go back home to East Prussia. The survival of a German Sinto"

As a "gypsy", Reinhard Florian (*1923) experienced exclusion already as a child, and after 1933 violence too. Arrested in 1941, he survived deportation and a number of National Socialist concentration camps such as Gusen and Auschwitz, extreme forced labour, hunger and a "death march". Florian's memories offer an insight into the hitherto unknown persecution of the East Prussian Sinti. They were published on the occasion of the inauguration of the Memorial to the Sinti and Roma of Europe murdered under National Socialism in Berlin. In the presence of Romani Rose from the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma and Reinhard Florian, Robert Gallinowski read from Florian's biography.

25.10.2012 · Berlin · Humboldt University Berlin Conference: "Sweden, Wallenberg and the Holocaust"

This German-Swedish Conference of the Humboldt University Berlin, the Institute for History, the Northern Europe Institute and the Swedish Embassy with talks by Ambassador Krister Wahlbäck, Prof. Dr Michael Wildt from the Humboldt University Berlin, Prof. Dr Ulrich Wyrwa from the

Technical University Berlin, Gellert Kovács and Wallenberg's biographer Ingrid Calberg, was devoted to the life and work of Raoul Wallenberg. The Foundation EVZ co-funded the Swedish Embassy's Wallenberg event series.

25.10.12 · Cracow, Poland Jewish Community Center of Kraków Opening of the exhibition: "Berlin-Yogyakarta"

The terror against homosexuals emanating from Berlin was part of the National Socialist system. The travelling exhibition documents this crime, as well as the social exclusion of gay, lesbian and transsexual people on a global scale, and the work for their human rights today. An international declaration was proclaimed in the Indonesian city of Yogyakarta in 2006 that describes the standards for applying human rights with regard to sexual orientation. The English version of the exhibition was shown in Poland.

25.—27.10.12 · Leipzig · University of Leipzig Symposium: "The long way home — a film history symposium about homecomers from the war"

Home is a social construct and a relational space for action and imagination that is formed through moral and value standards is destroyed by war. In particular with the advancing totalising of war operations in the 20th century, the destructive dimension of war and the accompanying necessity to reconstruct home and homeland become increasingly more important for the societies affected. The Symposium used feature films as source materials to examine different homecomer figures and to ask about their significance in the various post-war societies in Europe. The Symposium was organised by the Humanities Centre for Eastern Central European History and Culture at the University of Leipzig (GWZO) and the Russian State University for the Humanities Moscow (RGGU). It was funded in the "History Workshop Europe" programme.

26.—27.10.12 · Saint Petersburg, Russia International Conference: "The importance of non-discrimination policies in the Russian Federation — challenges and perspectives"

Together with the Russian partner organisation "LGBT Network" and the Moscow Helsinki Group, the Hirschfeld-Eddy-Foundation, funded by the Foundation EVZ, organised an English-language

conference in Saint Petersburg on the subject of "LGBT and human rights in Russia". Discussions at the conference centred on the diversity of sexual orientation and gender identities and causes, forms and risks of homophobia, and these were illustrated in presentations with film material, lectures and a travelling exhibition. The persecution of homosexuals during the National Socialist era and during the Soviet period was also a subject of discussion. The conference addressed in particular journalists, education officers, activists and multipliers.

29.-30.10.12 · Cologne Rautenstrauch Jost Museum

Conference: "Perspectives. Anti-Semitism in the migration society. Access to education – Gender"

The Conference enabled an exchange between academic researchers and educators about education reflecting critically on anti-Semitism. This was the third conference in the series "Perspectives. Anti-Semitism". It explored the significance of gender relations in anti-Semitic and exclusive images and developed conclusions for preventive educational concepts.

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3.11.12 · Cologne Exhibition hall "Alte Feuerwache" Opening of the exhibition: "Homestory Germany. Black biographies in past and present"

The "Homestory Germany" exhibition by the Initiative of Black People in Germany that opened in Cologne showed 27 biographies of black women and men over three centuries in Germany. The racist persecution under the National Socialist regime was also addressed. "Homestory Germany" drew on African, Afro-American and Afro-German remembrance traditions for the biographies. Oral and written transmission of life experiences forms an essential part of the exhibition. Timelines from the early modern age into the present document the existence of black history and make the historical framework clear. In its "(Hi)stories in Diversity" programme the Foundation EVZ funded the exhibition support programme with scenic and biographical readings, film screenings, panel discussions and theatre performances.





















4.–7.11.12 · Frankfurt/Main Jewish Community Centre Conference: "Broken Identities – Denial, Loss and (Re-)Discovery of the Jewish Identity of Shoah Survivors"

Many of the survivors who survived because they were hidden as children or lived under a false name encounter problems with their identity as they grow older. The conference, which dealt with questions of identity and personality development in survivors, addressed staff and volunteers of facilities that work with Shoah survivors. In lectures and workshops the consequences for counselling, care and support for the survivors were worked out. The event was conducted in cooperation with Aktion Mensch.

6.11.12 · Munich · Jewish Museum Munich Exhibition: "Zeitorte" (Temporal Places) – an installation by Georg Soanca-Pollak

Georg Soanca-Pollak has been looking at pre-1945 Jewish life in Germany in his artistic work since 1995. In his exhibition presented here, he used very personal historical documents for the first time. The large-format photographic collages combine photos of the artist's family from before World War II with pictures he has taken of the "Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe" in Berlin and the concentration camp in Auschwitz. Many of those portrayed were murdered by the Nazis in Auschwitz. With the help of different picture planes, the artist links the present with the past. The different times and places merge together. By granting visitors this insight into the history of his family, the artist invited them to share in his personal remembrance work.

8.11.12 · Berlin Felleshus of the Nordic Embassies Lectures and discussion: "The role of Sweden in Berlin during World War II"

This event of the Swedish Victoria Community and the Swedish Embassy was also part of the event series about the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg that was co-funded by the Foundation EVZ.

12.11.12 · Berlin · Topography of Terror Panel: "Who was Raoul Wallenberg? Myth and reality"

Bengt Jangfeldt, author of the book "Raoul Wallenberg. En biografi", gave a lecture on Wallenberg's committed work in Budapest, where the Swedish diplomat saved the lives of tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews. However, he also examined the efforts to shed light on Wallenberg's fate. This event of the Standing Conference of the Heads of the National Socialist Memorial Sites in the Berlin Area and the Swedish Embassy was a further part of the Wallenberg series co-funded by the Foundation EVZ.

20.11.12 · Berlin · Haus der Kulturen der Welt Opening lecture: "A Future Memory: Holocaust Testimony and Media Witness in an Era of Genocides"

The public lecture by the literary theorist Prof. Dr Geoffrey Hartman, initiator of the Fortunoff Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies founded in 1979, entitled "A Future Memory: Holocaust Testimony and Media Witness in an Era of Genocides" opened the international conference "Preserving Survivors' Memories". Dr Stephen D. Smith, USC Shoah Foundation, The Institute for Visual History and Education, Los Angeles, provided a comment.

20.—22.11.12 · Berlin Haus der Kulturen der Welt International Conference: "Preserving Survivors' Memories. Digital Testimony Collections about Nazi Persecution. History, Education and Media"

The English-language international conference focused on the digital collections of audio and video interviews with survivors of National Socialist persecution, for which hitherto unknown potentials for presentation, use and reception are opening up thanks to the advancing accessibility of digital resources. An international and interdisciplinary body of experts discussed the challenges and perspectives connected with the introduction and use of non-linear media for audiovisual sources and archives, for education and for the visual media. This international conference was organised by the Foundation EVZ and the Freie Universität Berlin in cooperation with the USC Shoah Foundation Institute, Los Angeles.

22.11.12 · Berlin · Neue Mälzerei Conference: "War of extermination, reactions, remembrance. The German rule under occupation in the Soviet Union 1941–1944"

Germany invaded the Soviet Union on 22.6.1941. The preparations for the attack targeted an unprecedented war of extermination and took the deaths of many millions of people in the areas to be conquered into account. The international conference explored the facets of the German occupation tyranny as well as the reactions of the local population. What was everyday life like in the occupied territories? What specific experiences did men and women undergo? What can be said about the survival and resistance strategies of the population? And not least, the participants addressed the remembrances of the German occupation in Russia, Belarus, the Baltic States and Ukraine.

26.11.12 · Gomel, Belarus Central Library "A. I. Herzen" Opening of the exhibition: "'Marked by war – Portraits of victims of National Socialism.' Photographs by Inna Trusevich"

The Belarusian town of Gomel was liberated by the Red Army on 27.11.1943. To mark this occasion the organisation "Social Projects" in Gomel, funded by the Foundation EVZ, presented a photography exhibition with pictures of survivors of National Socialism. These are people who survived the war as prisoners, in concentration camps or in their occupied home countries. They are people of different nationalities - Belarusians, Jews or Roma who experienced the tragedies of the 20th century at first hand: the Stalinist regime, World War II and the post-war period, in which many kept quiet about the trauma they had experienced for fear of persecution. Many people then broke their silence for this exhibition and dared to speak before the camera. In a project by the NGO "Social Projects" funded by the Foundation, 200 victims of National Socialism, including 100 Roma, are being supplied with medical services, food and health treatments in Gomel. The project is being funded in the programme "Donations for Victims of National Socialism".

26.—27.11.12 · Berlin · Berliner Stadtmission Conference: "Remembrance culture in the migration society. Dealing with diversity in education projects"

Systematic injustice and collective violence have blazed a trail through the 20th century — wars, civil wars, genocides, deportations, and so-called ethnic cleansings. In the face of globalisation and transnational migration, the after-effects of these crimes within society also change. Memories and remembrance cultures become many-voiced. The conference, organised as a support measure in the "(Hi)stories in Diversity" funding programme, invited actors from the fields of education, memorial sites, community work and associations to take part in a lively exchange on historical-political project work in the migration society.

27.11.12 · Berlin · FEZ Project Day: "Raoul Wallenberg, Righteous Among the Nations – Diplomat, Rescuer, Hero"

On this Project Day of the Berlin and Brandenburg democracy schools, pupils attended workshops with German, Israeli and Swedish educationalists on the topic of "Moral courage and personal responsibility". This event of the FEZ-Berlin centre for children, youth and family, LISUM Berlin-Brandenburg, and the Israeli and Swedish Embassies, was the last of the events in the series marking the 100th birthday of Raoul Wallenberg, which was co-funded by the Foundation EVZ.

28.11.12 · Frankfurt/Main · Alte Oper Concert: "Requiem for Auschwitz"

The Roma and Sinti Philharmoniker with Riccardo M Sahiti performed the "Requiem for Auschwitz" by Roger "Moreno" Rathgeb. In a multimedia setting young people recited autobiographical sketches by survivors. The exhibition "Frankfurt-Auschwitz" of the Förderverein Roma support association and the artist Bernd Rausch was shown in the Foyer. The performance was organised by the Philharmonic Association of the Sinti and Roma Frankfurt am Main e. V. and the Dutch Foundation Alfa in cooperation with the Documentation Centre Sinti and Roma in Heidelberg and the Förderverein Roma in Frankfurt/Main. The patron was Frankfurt's former Mayor, Petra Roth.





















29.11.12 · Pskov, Russia · Russian Red Cross Conference: "Access to social services for people with disabilities and the elderly"

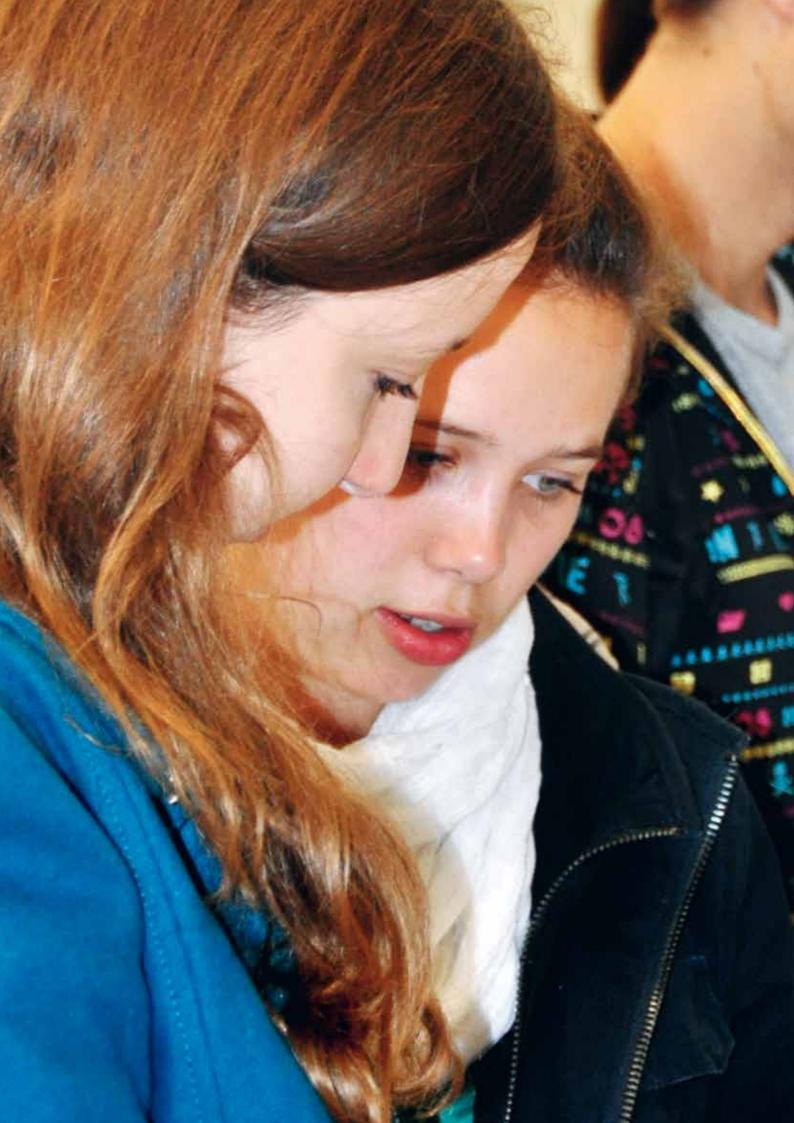
On the occasion of the International Day of People with Disability on 3.12., the Pskov regional association of the Russian Red Cross together with two other state organisations organised this conference that allowed an exchange of experience on current problems of disabled and elderly people. Modernisation of the social welfare and health system was discussed with the aid of practical examples. The possibilities of consolidating the commitment of civil society, business and industry and the state for a changed relationship with people with disabilities and the elimination of disadvantages were explored. The conference was part of the project "Out-patient care service, counselling centre and senior citizens' club in Pskov", which is being funded in the "Partnerships for Victims of National Socialism" funding programme.

13.12.12 · Berlin

Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe Panel discussion: "Commitment of whole families to a concentration camp" – 70 years after Heinrich Himmler's 'Auschwitz Decree'"

On 16.12.1942 Reich Leader-SS Heinrich Himmler ordered the deportation of Sinti and Roma from the German Reich in order to murder them on "race" grounds. The panel discussion aimed to help place the genocide on the Sinti and Roma in the context of the National Socialist war of extermination in the east and to anchor the memory of these victims in public remembrance more strongly than before. After the welcome address by Günter Saathoff of the Foundation EVZ, the historian Dr Martin Holler, author of "Roma in der besetzten Sowjetunion 1941–1944" (Roma in the occupied Soviet Union), provided an introduction to the topic, which was then discussed by the panel – Prof. Dr Jörg Baberowski and Martin Holler from the Humboldt University Berlin, Dr Silvio Peritore from the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma, Prof. Dr Johannes Tuchel from the German resistance Memorial Center, and Uwe Neumärker from the Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe.









STRANGERS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY

The first summary narrative of the history of the Sinti and Roma in the German post-war period, taking Lower Saxony as an example, was presented at the Historical Museum Hanover with the book "Strangers in their Own Country". The editors have produced a pioneering publication for the little-researched period from the end of the National Socialist era to the beginning of the 21st century. The book documents for the first time where and how the German Sinti and Roma "settled" in Lower Saxony again after the end of National Socialist tyranny, what discrimination they were still subject to, under what conditions they lived their everyday life and what could be saved of their culture. As a supplement, the book comes with a DVD showing interviews with Sinti and Roma conducted by school pupils. The book and DVD aim to contribute to creating better understanding between the Sinti and Roma and the majority society.

>> The long history of the Sinti and Roma in Germany extends beyond the terrors of the National Socialist period up to the present day. We are pleased that our funding of an exhibition and this key documentation has helped stimulate exploration of the post-war history of the Sinti and Roma in Germany.

Günter Saathoff, Co-Director of the Foundation EVZ

The book was produced as a catalogue on the exhibition of the same name, first shown in the Historical Museum Hanover in 2009/2010 and which is now travelling through Lower Saxony.

Reinhold Baaske/Boris Erchenbrecher/Wolf-Dieter Mechler/Hans-Dieter Schmid et.al.

Bielefeld 2012, Verlag für Regionalgeschichte

192 pages, ISBN 3-8953-4789-2



"I WANTED TO GO BACK HOME TO EAST PRUSSIA. THE SURVIVAL OF A GERMAN SINTO"

As a "gypsy", Reinhard Florian (* 1923 near Insterburg) experienced exclusion already as a child, and after 1933 violence too. Arrested in 1941, he survived deportation and a number of National Socialist concentration camps such as Gusen and Auschwitz, extreme forced labour, hunger and a "death march". The new start in West Germany proved difficult. For years sickness and trauma made it impossible for him to work regularly. Not until the end of the 1990s did he receive a compensation payment. His memoirs offer an insight into the hitherto unknown persecution of the East Prussian Sinti.

Edited by Jana Mechelhoff-Herezi and Uwe Neumärker

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Available at: info@stiftung-denkmal.de

THE COMPENSATION OF FORCED LABOUR UNDER NATIONAL SOCIALISM AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 21ST CENTURY - THE FOUNDATION "REMEMBRANCE, RESPONSIBILITY AND FUTURE" AND ITS PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

>> This work, over a thousand pages long, is a major research achievement in the field of contemporary history, based on broad international cooperation, addressing a longneglected key subject of the German war economy and its endless post-event history a highly reflective and careful representation of a "German theme" of genuinely European dimensions. The volumes cover a surprising variety of aspects, but also mark the paradoxes of "reparation" for violence and injustice that cannot be compensated. Christoph Klessmann, FAZ 24 February 2013



Edited by Constantin Goschler in cooperation with José Brunner, Krzysztof Ruchniewicz and Philipp Ther 4 vols., 1,143 pages, 69 illustrations, hard cover in slipcase Wallstein Verlag, Göttingen 2012 ISBN 978-3-8353-1085-8

PHOTO BOOK "SAY YES TO LIFE"

The photos by Inna Trusevich show portraits of 32 victims of National Socialism living in the Gomel region (Belarus) today. The book with accompanying texts in Russian was produced to accompany the exhibition of the same name that was opened in Gomel on 26 November 2012. The persons portrayed suffered in many different ways during the war. They were interned in concentration camps, compelled to perform forced labour, or were persecuted as Roma. Today they are receiving support from a project run by the NGO "Social Projects" and financed by the Foundation EVZ. They are provided with humanitarian assistance such as medical aid, food packages and therapeutic stays at clinics. Particularly needy persons and persons with limited mobility are cared for and supplied with necessities in their home surroundings. Young women are trained as nurses for the elderly in order to provide the victims of National Socialism with better care.

The book can be ordered at: www.volunteergomel.org

Сказать жизни "ДА!"



HISTORY SUDDENLY GAINED A FACE. YOUNG PEOPLE ENCOUNTER HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS

Between 2009 and 2010 Alvin Gilens followed young Germans to various countries where they were assigned for a year to perform voluntary service. He also talked to many of their "new friends", the Holocaust survivors. The results of his moving interviews are recorded in this book.

Alvin Gilens 268 pages Westkreuz Verlag, Berlin/Bonn 2012 ISBN 978-3-943755-03-9

English edition:

Alvin Gilens Reconciling lives 268 pages Westkreuz Verlag, Berlin/Bonn 2012 ISBN 978-3-943755-00-8





METHODS MANUAL ON ANTIZIGANISM FOR SCHOOL AND NON-SCHOOL EDUCATION WORK

The methods manual funded by the Foundation EVZ offers methods for education in and out of school on the topic of antiziganism and the history of the Sinti and Roma. It was developed for educators, social workers, education centres, memorial sites, universities, colleges and schools. It presents an educational concept for school and non-school exploration of the various forms of antiziganism. The materials were developed and tested jointly with teachers and pupils. The development was supported by members of associations of Sinti and Roma as well as academic researchers.

Edited by Alte Feuerwache e.V., Berlin

Soft cover, 144 pages Unrast Verlag, Münster 2012 ISBN 978-3-89771-521-9

Can be ordered from Unrast Verlag at: www.unrast-verlag.de/unrast,2,393,20.html



EXPERT REPORT ON ANTIZIGANISM

In December 2012 the first expert report of its kind in Germany on "Antiziganism. The state of research and counter-strategies" was published. The report was produced on behalf of RomnoKher GmbH by Markus End and funded by the Foundation EVZ. It will be published in print in 2013. The report describes the alarming spread of prejudices in Germany. Antiziganism has so far not been recognised as an independent form of racism and is accordingly not understood, surveyed or combated. At the same time the report shows that there is a lack of academic research into the subject of antiziganism. It calls for the promotion and institutionalising of such research. The report was handed over to the Antidiscrimination Office of the Federal Republic, the Bündnis für Demokratie und Toleranz (Alliance for Democracy and Tolerance) and the Representation of the European Commission. There were also discussions with Tom Koenig, the Chairman of the Committee for Human Rights of the German Bundestag and members of the Committee.



"WHICHEVER STONE YOU LIFT" - REMEMBRANCE OF THE HOLOCAUST IN FILM

Public remembrance of the Holocaust is shaped by iconic images. The anthology "Whichever Stone You Lift" examines remembrance of the Holocaust in films. The articles in the volume are devoted to examples of films that critically explore iconic patterns and raise questions of the possibilities of remembrance. How has remembrance of the persecution and mass murders under National Socialism in films changed? The project was funded by the Foundation EVZ.

Edited by Claudia Bruns, Asal Dardan, Anette Dietrich 368 pages Verlag Bertz + Fischer, Berlin 2012 ISBN 978-3-86505-397-8

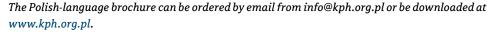
TEXTBOOK MATERIALS "SMUGGLED OUT OF THE CONCENTRATION CAMP"

The school materials "Smuggled out of the concentration camp - Remembrance, arts and human dignity" developed by Dr Constanze Jaiser und Jacob David Pampuch on behalf of the House of the Wannsee Conference in the funding programme "Teaching Human Rights" were published in April 2012 by Metropol Verlag. The context is the history of a glass container unearthed near Neubrandenburg in the 1970s that contained letters, artistic documents, and lists of shootings and medical experiences, which Polish inmates had smuggled out of the Ravensbrück concentration camp as evidence of violations of human rights. On 17 June 2012 the publication was awarded the Literature Prize of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (Annalise-Wagner Prize). The project was presented to the public on 12 September at the Foundation EVZ with the collaboration of the Berlin State Secretary for Education. The project folder costs EUR 19 and can be ordered at www.metropol-verlag.de.



ROSA WINKEL. NATIONAL SOCIALIST CRIMES AGAINST HOMOSEXUALS IN THE CONTEXT OF EDUCATION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

The publication forges a link between historical violations of human rights and good examples of education against discrimination today. An article about the persecution of homosexuals in the National Socialist regime is set against memories of an eyewitness - a Pole who as a 16-year-old in 1942 fell in love with a Wehrmacht soldier and as a result was sentenced to five years in prison. The second part of the book discusses the pros and cons of historical references in education against discrimination.





DISCRIMINATION AFFECTS US ALL!

In April 2012 the guidelines "Discrimination affects us all! Suggestions for formal and non-formal education" were published. These guidelines provide materials and selected exercises prepared by the Nuremberg Human Rights Center for education work in and outside of schools. The publication addresses educators who want to explore the subject of discrimination in the classroom with a group of young people or young adults.

The brochure can be downloaded from the homepage www.diskriminierung.menschenrechte.org or be ordered from the Nuremberg Human Rights Center, email: buero@menschenrechte.org.



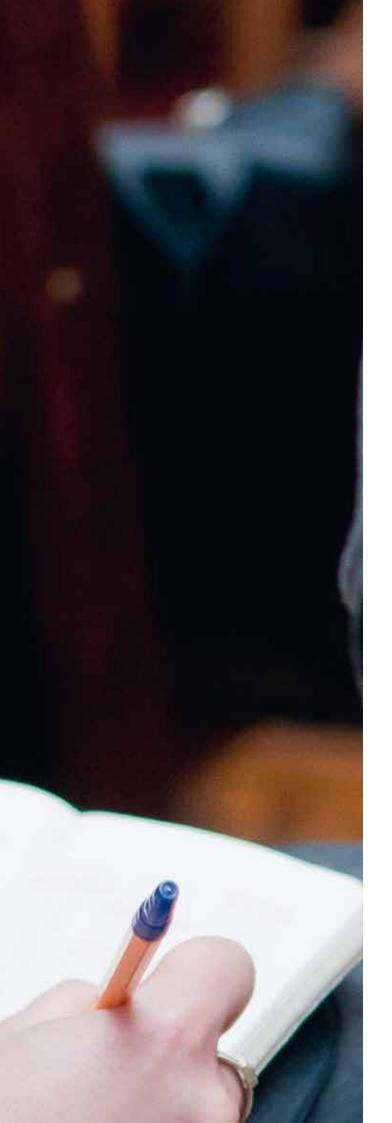
LEARNING ABOUT MIGRATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS: REFUGEES YESTERDAY- REFUGEES TODAY

The guidelines "Learning about Migration and Human Rights" from Netzwerk Migration in Europa e.V. was published in August 2012. It targets teachers of secondary and upper secondary school as well as non-formal education institutions. The first part offers interactive initial exercises on central issues of migration, flight and human rights. The second part contains exercises on the ways refugees were dealt with in society and politics in the National Socialist era.

The guideline is available online at www.migrationeducation.org and is free of charge.







FACTS AND FIGURES



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FINANCIAL REPORT



The internationally renowned trade journal "portfolio institutionell" again presented an award to the Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility and Future" (EVZ) for its capital investment strategy in 2012. After winning awards in various categories already in 2007 and 2011, it won the prize in the category "Best Foundation" in 2012. The remarkable returns on investment achieved and the clearly structured and thus exemplary investment process were praised.

When it was established in the year 2000 the Foundation EVZ was endowed with altogether 10.1 billion Deutschmarks. Of this a sum of 9.4 billion Deutschmarks (EUR 4.8 billion) plus the interest earned on this amount served to compensate former forced labourers and other victims of the National Socialist regime, as well as to cover the costs of organising these payments. The remainder amounting to 700 million Deutschmarks (EUR 358 million) represented the capital stock for the long-term Foundation EVZ with a funding mandate. The main task of the Foundation EVZ after the completion of the payments procedure in the year 2007 is to promote international projects in the three activity areas. These activities are financed almost exclusively from the returns on the Foundation assets and occasionally from other donations.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Foundation EVZ pursues three main goals in investing its assets. Firstly, it aims to earn sufficient funds as regular net earnings to cover its funding activities and administrative costs at a controllable risk. Secondly, the capital is to retain its real value, i.e. adjusted for inflation. Finally, it must be ensured that there is sufficient liquidity available at all times for ongoing business operations. The investment strategy pursues the goal of spreading risk as widely as possible and is steered with a "steady hand".

The investment strategy applies the modern findings of portfolio theory for a percentage distribution of the capital invested between asset classes such as bonds, shares, real estate, etc. Key aspects here are the profitability requirements on the one hand and risk viability of the Foundation on the other. Factors such as different exchange rate developments that change the weighting of the asset classes, or current market requirements, lead to buying and selling within certain bandwidths. The "Strategic Asset Allocation" is reviewed at the latest every three years. However, the turbulences evident on the financial markets in recent years have necessitated shortening of the cycles. The last review was conducted in 2012. The results were discussed in the committees and then implemented. The new strategy focuses



even more strongly on earning regular net income. The financial requirements of the Foundation can now be serviced completely through the regular net income without any problems. Finally, the Foundation's capital investments follow ethical criteria deriving from the purpose of the Foundation.

In terms of content, the Foundation concentrates on modern forms of forced labour and violations of human rights in employment, in line with its Foundation mandate. In dealings with the issuer type "companies", attention is paid to violations of labour law in the areas of child labour, forced labour and discrimination. The supply chain is also examined – as far as this is expedient and viable.

The concept follows the criteria of the International Labour Organization (ILO), a suborganisation of the United Nations.

As a result of the history of the Foundation, negative screening was implemented in the asset classes shares and bonds. Here the exclusion criteria of human rights violations and "modern forced labour" are defined to structure the negative filter. The Foundation has commissioned a rating company to draw up the negative list, compiled specifically on the basis of stipulations by the Foundation. On the basis of the screening all companies that contravene the defined exclusion criteria are confronted with this in writing and requested to issue a statement. In the event of any violation, the circumstances are set down in the form of a commitment letter sent to the company with a request for comments. Companies that do not reply are excluded from the investment universe as a matter of principle. Answers received are analysed. The Foundation's financial service providers are also examined on the basis of ethical criteria and if appropriate the cooperation is terminated.

MEMBERS OF THE ASSET MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AS AT: MARCH 2013)

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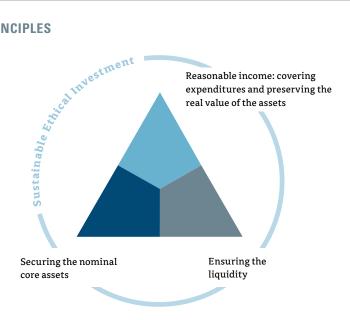
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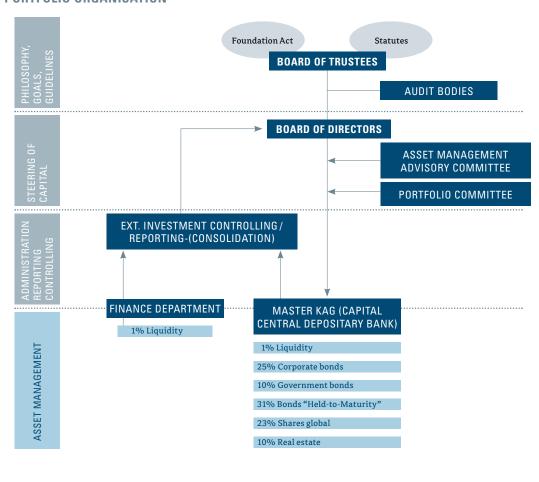
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INVESTMENT PRINCIPLES



PORTFOLIO ORGANISATION



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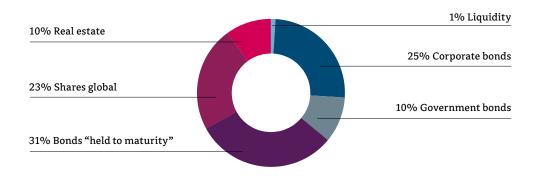
The chart on page 106 (investment organisation) illustrates the structure of the Foundation EVZ's asset management. The financial objectives to be achieved are stated in the Foundation Act, the Statutes and the specifications of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation EVZ. The Board of Directors uses the services of various bodies that advise and support it. These comprise the Asset Management Advisory Committee for strategic issues of capital investment and the Portfolio Commission for concrete and tactical investment decisions.

For its actual asset management, the Foundation has opted for a "Master-KAG" (Kapitalanlagegesellschaft: capital investment company) with a central depository bank. The essential part of the asset management is carried out by specialist asset managers. Smaller portions are held and managed directly by the Financial Department. An external investment reporting body consolidates the two areas to determine performance and other ratios at any time and also assumes the task of ongoing investment controlling. Furthermore, specialist consultants are continuously involved in the decisionmaking processes.

The admissible framework of action for all participants is regulated in detail - for instance in the form of investment guidelines, contracts, internal process specifications laid down by resolution of the Board of Directors, etc. The cross-check (four-eyes) principle and the requirements of corporate governance in the area of capital investment have been implemented throughout. All decisions are recorded in detail and are externally audited.

ASSET CLASSES

The assets of the Foundation as at 31 December 2012 totalled EUR 442.8 million.

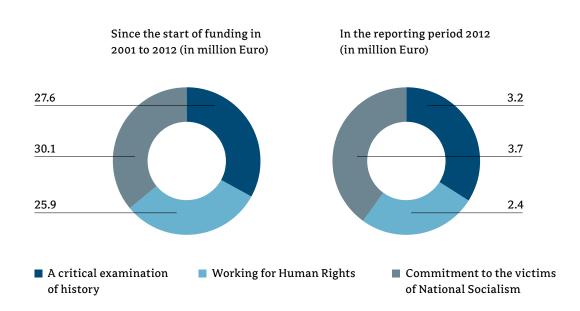


FUNDING ACTIVITIES

ANNUAL FUNDING VOLUME (IN MILLION EURO)



FUNDING VOLUME BY ACTIVITY AREA



KEY RATIOS 2012

EXCERPT FROM THE BALANCE SHEET

Assets Financial assets	408.0 mill. Euro
Liabilities	
Capital stock	357.9 mill. Euro
Asset Preservation reserve	44.4 mill. Euro
Provisions	2.4 mill. Euro
Payables from project funding	7.0 mill. Euro
Balance sheet total	409.8 mill. Euro

EXCERPT FROM THE INCOME STATEMENT

Expense for Foundation purpose	6.85 mill. Euro
Personnel costs	1.84 mill. Euro
Public Relations	0.15 mill. Euro
Other administrative costs	0.67 mill. Euro

ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

The Foundation EVZ continuously calculates the share of administrative costs in total expenditure. This is measured by the ratio of administrative costs to total expenditures. To this end the figures from the accounts in adapted form were evaluated following the DZI (German Central Institute for Social Issues) method of calculation, which is used in awarding the DZI "seal of approval for donations" to institutions. At 18.2 percent, the share of administrative costs at the Foundation EVZ in 2012 was lower than in the year before.

AUDITS

The annual financial statements of the Foundation EVZ are prepared in accordance with the principles of the German Commercial Code (HGB) and audited by the Federal Central Tax Office. In addition an annual audit is conducted by the Federal Office for Central Services and Unresolved Property issues (BADV), which is charged with this by the German Federal Ministry of Finance, the financial and legal supervisor of the Foundation EVZ, in order to ensure that the Foundation EVZ's financial management complies with the Federal Budget Code. At irregular intervals, audits are also conducted by the Bundesrechnungshof (supreme federal audit authority).

3RD BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FOUNDATION EVZ UP TO JUNE 2012



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